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Clear Obligation

PETTY demagogic nationalism ill-becomes the South Vietnam Premier, M. Ngo Dinh Diem at such a crucial stage in his young nation's history. It is not for the West to be amazed at his apparent refusal to begin discussions with the Communists on nation-wide elections. The Vietnamese did not sign the Geneva agreements and they may be able to produce some international lawyer to support their view that they are not legally bound to carry out its provisions.

The moral obligation is clear however. For better or worse, the civil war was brought to an end at last year's Geneva conference. There should be no day of "national mourning" to mark it but a day of rejoicing that the Vietnamese people have been vouchsafed a breathing space from war in order to consolidate freedom and democracy.

And if M. Diem has failed to utilize that breathing space properly the West is not to blame. Rather it is the Prime Minister's own peculiar brand of politics. Of course, it is possible to understand his obstinate attitude and his objection to beginning talks with the Vietnamese regime on the election issue.

THE omens are not good. Western leaders have predicted that the South would fare badly at the polls. But this is a situation of M. Diem's own making. He is still fighting a civil war within his own borders because he refused to coalesce with his rivals, preferring subjugation to co-operation. But what is the alternative to nation-wide elections? Refusal might provoke new hostilities with the North. The possibility is already seen in London. In fact, it seems obvious to everyone but M. Diem himself who must realise that there is limit to the amount of aid — and patience — his Washington supporters are willing to extend to him. The Americans have refused to resume hostilities for Syngman Rhee and Chiang Kai-shek, and they are unlikely to make an exception in M. Diem's case.

London belief is that it is beyond the bounds of protocol to put pressure on Saigon. And this week's riots involving the International Truce Supervisory Commission are a fair indication of the regime's apathy for the Geneva agreements. Communists are blamed for the disturbances but few would be surprised to hear that the Government was conniving.

If M. Diem wants peace for his people he should renounce these stupid ideas of "going it alone". His only hope of salvation lies in harmonious co-operation with the West. He should also realise that more than just South Vietnam is at stake. A rash move on his part could endanger the whole of Southeast Asia.

The Truth About Youth

So you think the young are selfish, irresponsible, given to harmful excesses and mad obsessions? And you disapprove of the way they drive cars too fast and wear frilly petticoats at Wimbledon?

In tomorrow's feature-packed week-end Mail, Amanda Marshall presents another side of the NEW YOUNG. And her verdict is: "they exhibit a regard for convention and formality which is not to be taken for granted."

These home-truths about youth make up only one of the many highlights for you and all the family in tomorrow's 20-page China Mail.

Here are some others:

- ★ Dorothy Dandridge this week writes on London styles for the modern male;
- ★ Could you pass the "top-drawer" test? The Professors tell you how you can.
- ★ Sir Beverley Baxter, M.P., says Cabinet changes are needed but may the new blood include some NON-Elitians.

Besides these articles, there is another chapter of the Wingate story, three pages of local and overseas pictures, cartoons, comic strips and Glean, the latest film reviews, week-end Woman-sense... all in the China Mail.

Bulganin's First Reactions

Geneva, July 21. Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin today praised the proposals made during the afternoon by the United States President, Dwight Eisenhower, as "sincere and of considerable importance."

Bulganin said: "These sincere declarations just made by President Eisenhower will have considerable importance. They are good augury for the continuation of our work on disarmament."

The Soviet leader added: "We must formulate concrete recommendations to our representatives in the sub-committee on disarmament of the United Nations. In consequence we must ask our foreign ministers to prepare these recommendations so that we ourselves may address them to our representatives on the sub-committee."

—France-Press.

Peronists Resign

Buenos Aires, July 21. The resignations of a number of top Peronist congressional leaders were announced today and a Peronist Party chief said there would be a complete party shape-up within 10 days.

Among those who handed in their resignations were Dr. Antonio Benitez, President of the Chamber of Deputies, and Angel Milé Azcoaga, head of the Peronist bloc in the Chamber. Renzo Adinolfi, President of the Peronist Party's Superior Council, said the party's leadership would be completely reorganised before the month is over.

Tessaire said, however, that there was no question of separating the Peronist men and women's parties and the General Workers' Confederation (CGT) from the Peronist movement.

There had been reports that the CGT—the powerful labour group behind Peron—would become strictly a trade union organisation, totally divorced from political activity.

Tessaire said he was optimistic that the political truce proposed by President Juan Peron would be achieved.

—United Press.

Injured Climbers Rescued

Chamonix, July 21. A rescue party reached here tonight with two injured British mountaineers who fell 400 feet while scaling the Aiguille du Plan, in the French Alps, earlier today.

Doctors at Chamonix Hospital said that Alan Burke, 24, of Derby, had probably fractured his skull during the fall and was still unconscious.

But his companion, 25-year-old J. Ramsden, Leeds, had suffered only face bruises.

—China Mail Special.

EISENHOWER STUNS GENEVA

Unprecedented Proposal To Russia

HISTORIC DAY IN BIG 4 TALKS

Geneva, July 21. Delegates and journalists to the Big Four conference were stunned today by the sensational new proposals made by United States President Dwight Eisenhower.

Mr Eisenhower called for an exchange of complete military information between the US and the Soviet Union, as well as aerial supervision by each country of the other's military installations.

There had been rumours all day that President Eisenhower was preparing to spring a surprise. But no one imagined that a President of the United States could make such revolutionary proposals.

No President, since the founding of the US, has ever proclaimed ideas in the field of foreign policy even approaching those announced today in obvious sincerity by Eisenhower, with the agreement of his government.

Only Eisenhower could have spoken with such audacity: first, because his prestige is great, secondly, because, while a Republican (who has muzzled the extremists of his own party) he has the respect of his country's Democratic party.

However, certain American observers here are asking themselves whether the President did not go a bit too far today, and whether he thought out in advance all of the consequences his declarations will have in the US.

After all, since 1950, the "right against Communism" of the Soviet Union have been the main themes of the American press, radio and public figures. Overnight, the President has proposed an arrangement which would permit Soviet planes to fly over American atomic cities—something which is forbidden even to American civilian aircraft.

Certain American observers have already begun to wonder whether the President's proposal does not run counter to American security laws. Others think the proposal is "unworkable," but these are not the majority opinions. And an authoritative source declared that the proposal was approved by all members of the American government, including Secretary of State John Foster Dulles, and the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Admiral Arthur Radford—neither of whom nourishes particularly tender sentiments for the USSR.

Whether the proposals are accepted or not by the Soviet Union, all delegations here agree that the date of July 21 represents a spectacular turning in American foreign policy, with probable future repercussions which are still difficult to foresee.

New Proposals

Both President Eisenhower and Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin today made concrete new proposals at the Four-Power conference regarding steps towards the ending of the cold war.

President Eisenhower proposed: The drawing up of a two-point agreement calling for 1. Exchange of information on military strength, and 2. Control by reciprocal air photography of United States and Soviet Union territory.

Marshal Bulganin proposed: A security pact between the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) and the Communist Warsaw Pact nations in which both parties pledge not to use force and to consult each other to solve all outstanding problems.

Bulganin also proposed that the four powers pledge themselves not to use atomic weapons unless they are victims of aggression, and then only after receiving authorization to use such weapons from the Security Council of the United Nations.

British Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden proposed the creation of a border zone between East and West Germany where control of armaments and the strength of forces could be exercised by a joint commission.

The French Premier, M. Edgar Faure, proposed the development of a system of publicity of armaments and

troop strength which could lead, at a later date, to the limitation and reduction of arms.

Immediate Effect

President Eisenhower advanced his proposal particularly to the Soviet delegation which, he said, represented the country that along with the United States possessed the greatest number of different types of weapons.

The President said his plan to exchange military information should go into effect immediately. On the subject of air photograph of military installations, he said in effect to the Soviet delegation: send your planes over the US but give us the possibility of doing the same over your territory.

Conference Room Blacked Out

Geneva, July 21. President Eisenhower's sensational proposals before today's Big Four conference were concluded in total darkness.

The drama of President Eisenhower's proposals—calling notably for "aerial inspection" of each other by the United States and the Soviet Union—was enhanced by a sudden thunderstorm which began while the President was speaking, followed by a blow out of electric lights, which plunged the conference room into darkness.

A spokesman for the British delegation who described the scene said that the talks "proceeded in the gloom."—France-Press.

President Eisenhower said that by taking these moves, the United States and the Soviet Union could convince the world that they had made provisions against a surprise attack, which would diminish the present danger.

This would be only the beginning, the President said, for it could lead more easily to a complete system of inspection and disarmament.

Meanwhile, the four government chiefs agreed to turn over the Soviet proposals to their foreign ministers for further study.

M. Faure, who spoke next, praised the suggestions of President Eisenhower. He said: "If the peoples of the world had been able to hear this man, who has a deep knowledge of military matters and carries so many responsibilities... they would have understood that on this day, July 21, something new occurred, and we have just won our greatest victory over scepticism."

M. Faure then presented his proposal for a system of "publicity" because, he said, "publicity is frankness."

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NIGHT OF RIOTING

Ten Killed In Marrakesh

Marrakesh, July 21. An uneasy calm hung over the Arab quarter of Marrakesh after a night of rioting in which 10 persons were killed, 27 were injured, seven of them seriously, and crowds mobbed the car of the Pasha of Marrakesh, Si Haj Thami El Glaoui, in a confused fusillade of gunfire.

Dozens of arrests were made during the day and fire brigades were called out 45 times.

Careful Answer To A \$64 Question

Moscow, July 21. A top Soviet government leader said tonight it was improbable that Prime Minister Nikolai Bulganin and Communist Party chief Nikita Khrushchev would refuse to visit Britain, the United States or France if they were invited.

Mr Mikhail Pervukhin, Soviet Deputy Premier and a member of the Communist Party's governing Presidium, was asked at a Moscow diplomatic reception whether Mr Khrushchev and Marshal Bulganin might visit Western countries.

"It depends not only on us but on the heads of other governments," he said. "If the invitations were received it is probable they would be refused, but the question has not yet arisen."

Mr Pervukhin, asked by reporters whether "something concrete" was likely to emerge from the Geneva conference, replied: "That is not the most important point. The most important point is the atmosphere. 'The atmosphere is good.'"

THE FIRST TIME

Mr Pervukhin was accompanied by Mr Anastas Mikoyan, First Deputy Premier, to the national day reception at the Belgian Embassy.

Ambassador Dr Arthur Wauwermans said it was the first time in his 3½ years in Moscow that any member of the top Soviet leadership had visited the Embassy.

Mr Mikoyan and Mr Pervukhin stayed for an hour and a half.

The Russians drank a toast to "Belgium and the Belgian people" and Mr Mikoyan told the Ambassador, "At present the idea of confidence and friendship is dominant in the world."

Asked by reporters who was acting Soviet Premier during Marshal Bulganin's absence in Geneva, Mr Pervukhin said: "We have collective leadership. We meet and discuss."—Reuter.

Quake Causes Heavy Damage

Quito, Ecuador, July 21. Relief teams reported from the town of Cotacachi, 50 miles north of Quito, today that six persons were seriously injured in an earthquake yesterday and 6,000 left homeless.

Damage was estimated at \$300,000, the reports said.

President Jose M. Velasco Ibarra headed the officials who rushed to the area today to inspect damage.

Two churches and 21 private houses were destroyed and many other homes were badly damaged by the shock.

The Red Cross was asked to supply tents to house the 6,000 homeless. Many families spent the night in the open.

Cotacachi was the hardest hit, but the towns of Atuncogui and Antonio Ante also suffered damage and were without electricity or telephone service.

"The earthquake was felt in seven states," United Press.

One of the dead was a guard of the Pasha's entourage.

Tension gripped the district in the wake of a wave of arson against 15 tobacco shops, and warehouses, stores and vehicles, as ambulance sirens wailed through the city and columns of black smoke drifted over the scene of disturbances.

The French Resident-General, M. Gilbert Grandval, who had planned to make a tour of the Medina (Arab quarter) of Marrakesh this evening, called off his plan.

M. Grandval said, however, in an address from the patio of the French cultural centre here, that he was convinced that France and Morocco would overcome their present difficulties and achieve security and harmony.

Grandval said his programme was based on three principles: Fidelity to France's Moroccan friends, the maintenance of French presence in Morocco and strengthening of Franco-Moroccan friendship.

In the confusion of the trouble today, early reports had suggested that an attempt had been made against the life of El Glaoui, a firm supporter of France.

El Glaoui had accompanied Grandval to the French cultural centre and was leaving, only to find his way blocked by a group of young Moroccans. Demonstrators nearby were stoning buses and private cars and had broken the plate-glass windows of a French pharmacy.

Just then shots rang out, and the Pasha angrily jumped out of his car with his chrome-plated automatic carbine, a gift of an American general, in his hand.

He was restrained by members of his entourage, but he ordered an aide to disperse the crowd.

The Pasha's guards fired and the crowd made way.

During the disturbances today, a servant of El Glaoui was beaten to death with a stick by supporters of the deposed Sultan, Sidi Mohammed Ben Youssef.

Bands of demonstrators, armed with truncheons and carrying Moroccan flags had ranged through the winding streets of the Arab quarter, crying out the name of the ex-Sultan, and set fire to shops.

Fire brigades with police protection fought the blazes, while special protection corps armed with sub-machine guns patrolled the streets.—France-Press.

5 Years For Manslaughter

Edinburgh, July 21. James Bannigan, 20-year-old Royal Navy Rating, was sent to prison for five years here for the culpable homicide (manslaughter) of an amateur actor at a party in a Glasgow flat.

Bannigan, who had pleaded guilty after an earlier charge of murder against him had been dropped, was stated by the defence to have attacked the actor, Norman Allison Struthers, in a frenzy of humiliation and disgust when a certain incident took place.

There was clear evidence that Struthers, aged 30, was a homosexual and that he had a sinister motive in inviting Bannigan and his friend, 19-year-old Alwyn Jones, another Naval Rating, to his flat.

Struthers was hit on the head with a microphone and left unconscious, dying later in hospital.

Jones, who with Bannigan was charged with stealing articles and money from the dead man's flat, was placed on probation for two years.

Both men were arrested on board their aircraft carrier Ark Royal, in which they were serving.—China Mail Special.

New Crater Splits On Etna

Catania, July 21. A new crater split open on the eastern slopes of Mount Etna tonight and a series of explosions hurled lava and glowing rock high into the night sky.

First reports here were that lava had overflowed the new crater's crest.

The fresh eruption appeared more dangerous than a recent outbreak to the northeast.

A succession of smoke-shrouded flashes was clearly visible from Catania.

The new crater was blown open at an altitude of 4,265 feet on Europe's biggest active volcano, 10,768 feet high.—China Mail Special.

CHURCHILL CHEERED

London, July 21. Sir Winston Churchill was loudly cheered by nearly 8,000 guests when he arrived at Buckingham Palace today for the second garden party of the season given by the Queen.

They formed a "line" for the former Prime Minister as he slowly made his way across the lawn to join the Queen and her party in the royal pavilion.

Among the overseas guests was the American evangelist Billy Graham, who preached before the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh in the Chapel Royal at Windsor during his last British crusade.

Members of the Cabinet, the diplomatic corps and Commonwealth high commissioners were also present.

With the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh were Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, who was in blue and Princess Margaret, in white.—Reuter.

HURLED OUT OF CABLE CAR

Salzburg, July 21. Two persons died and 30 were injured when lightning cut off electricity, causing a teleferique cable-car to stop suddenly and hurling its passengers out into space.

The accident occurred on the rope-way of the Rapur hydro-electric plant.—France-Press.

Explosions At Famagusta

Famagusta, July 21. Bombs exploded tonight in two British military installations in troubled Cyprus, ending nearly a fortnight of peace from terrorist activities.

No casualties and little damage were caused.

The first blast, believed to be either a Molotov cocktail or a time bomb, took place in the compound of a British military camp as Cypriot workers were unloading cargo from lorries into stores.

The second was in a British service holiday camp two miles outside Famagusta.

British troops in force entered Famagusta following the explosion, blocked up all the town's main roads and began minute searches of all vehicles for arms and explosives.—Reuter.

Eden, Molotov Discuss Vietnam

Geneva, July 21. Britain and Russia started informal talks here on Thursday on the troubled situation in Vietnam, where supervision of the armistice stands endangered.

Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden and Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov, who presided over the 1954 Geneva conference which produced the armistice, talked briefly about new troubles that have flared in the divided Indo-Chinese territory.

They discussed the problems arising out of Wednesday's riot in Saigon during a recess in the afternoon session of the Big Four. And they arranged to talk more about them on Friday night when Sir Anthony is to be the dinner guest of Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin.—Associated Press.

Grounded Ship In Danger

Quebec, July 21. The hull of the British freighter Middlesex Trader, aground in the St Lawrence River, has developed a lengthy crack that threatens to split the ship in half. It was learned on Thursday.

Her cargo of 9,600 tons of wheat is being loaded on two lake freighters by two derrick boats. A tug standing by is unable to draw near because the water is too shallow.

The ship ran aground at Cap-Breton, some 30 miles east of here on the South shore of the river during a fog on Saturday.—Associated Press.

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President Soekarno of Indonesia recently performed the ceremony of installing Col. Bambang Utuyo as the new Chief of Staff of the Indonesian Land Forces and promoted him to the rank of Major General. The ceremony was held at the Presidential Palace in Jakarta. The ceremony was a short one because all the General Staff of the Land Forces as well as the Army Commanders of seven military territories boycotted Col. Utuyo and refused to attend the inauguration ceremony. As a result the elaborate ceremonial parade in honour of the new Army chief was called off. A Press conference was held by the acting Army Chief of Staff, Col. Zulkifli Lubis in defiance of the appointment, in which Col. Utuyo was claimed to be "lacking proper abilities and qualities for the task." Picture shows: President Soekarno installs Col. Utuyo as Chief of Staff in spite of protests.—Express Photo.

Baptist Appeal For Programme

London, July 21.

The Baptist World Alliance heard on Thursday night an appeal for a missionary programme for Africa aimed at better food, better clothing, better homes and a better life in every sense of the word.

The Rev. I. N. Patterson of Nigeria told 7,000 delegates to the 50th Congress' World Mission Night at Royal Albert Hall:

"We do not believe it is the Father's will that those who dwell in the midst of potential wealth should forever walk in poverty."

SAME BASIC THINGS

Africa cries for the same basic things that the white man wants and which, the speaker said, "we believe to be the inalienable right of all mankind."

The vast Continent trembles with political excitement Dr Patterson said. "Some areas are free, others rapidly near self-government, and still others are under the repressive heel of reactionary regimes," he continued.

"But all over Africa the people are dreaming of a new continent in which all men shall walk upright in the land where they were born and be free to use the fruits of their own toil."

A clergyman from Ceylon, the Rev. W.M.P. Jayasinghe, said there was a need for missionary work in Asia where half the world's population has a keen sense of religion but lives in God's world without a knowledge of Him and His saving grace.

"We are after a 'world citizenship,' a 'world parliament,' a 'world kingdom' which would take us all and merge us into one people, one nation, where all would be on an equal footing...where justice shall roll down like streams and peace shall prevail everywhere."—Associated Press.

CATS WANTED

Pakur, Bengal, July 21.
The rats are having the time of their lives in this small town of West Bengal, since 90 per cent of its cats had been wiped out in a recent epidemic.
After dusk, the rats roam the streets, munching food-grains, nibbling clothes and devouring everything eatable.
The town council is trying to import some cats.—China Mail Special.

INSPECTORS NOT ALLOWED TO CHECK DISPOSAL

Washington, July 21.

The United States is reported considering a halt in aid to Yugoslavia until Marshal Tito's Government permits full inspection of the use of American weapons.

State and Defence Department officials are reported seriously concerned over continued refusal to permit American military inspectors in Yugoslavia to carry out checks which are normal under such aid programmes.

Yugoslavia has further upset these officials, it was learned, by indicating it will produce Russian MIG fighters in Yugoslav factories unless the West helps it build some of their models in Yugoslavia.

SERIOUS DISCUSSION

These developments have combined to cause serious discussion of whether the American economic aid and military aid programmes to Yugoslavia should continue to go forward.

The Senate Appropriations Committee on Wednesday recommended aid be suspended until the Yugoslavs permit "continuous observations and review" of military assistance as required by the 1951 aid agreement signed by Yugoslavia.

Yugoslavia is reported to believe it is providing enough inspection opportunities, but the American Military Aid Mission, headed by Brig.-Gen. Peter C. Hains, is reported to disagree. The Eisenhower Administration is seeking \$40½ million for economic and defence support aid for Yugoslavia in the 12 months ending June 30 next. Yugoslavia is also due to receive continued military aid shipments but the amount of this is kept secret.

Yugoslavia has received \$400 million in economic and technical assistance since Tito broke with Moscow in 1948. An amount at least equal to this in military aid has also moved to Yugoslavia from the United States.

CERTAIN QUESTIONS

However, the State Department said, "certain questions" have arisen about the rights of American military officials to inspect weapons and military equipment provided Yugoslavia.

A spokesman expressed "every confidence a satisfactory agreement will be reached" without the need to cut off American military and economic assistance.

The spokesman, Press Officer Joseph Reap, maintained the Eisenhower Administration is not considering at this time whether to stop the flow of American aid, now approaching the billion dollar mark, should the Yugoslavs refuse to permit routine inspection.

NO MORAL RIGHT TO STRIKE, SAYS PEER

London, July 21.

LORD Amwell, 79, a former newsboy, now a Labour peer, has asserted in the House of Lords that there was "no moral right to strike, whatever the excuse."

Strikes were "not waged against the bosses, but against the community," he said.

In advocating that ballots should be taken of members of a union before a strike was called, Lord Amwell said "on any vital vote the hand goes up very often to avoid being branded."

Lord Amwell, who was speaking in a debate on industrial relations, was taken to task by another Labour peer, Lord MacDonald, of Gwacynysgor, 67, a former Governor of Newfoundland, who as a boy worked in a coal mine.

He accused Lord Amwell of "hypnotic ignorance" of the trade union movement. The trade unions, he said, were very much alive to the problems and were trying to stem the tide of "wild, cat" (unofficial) strikes.

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Bold Effort To Force Russian Hand

Washington, July 21. Republican and Democratic Party leaders in Congress today enthusiastically applauded the boldness and sincerity of President Eisenhower's dramatic offer to the Soviet Premier at Geneva for an exchange of blueprints and mutual aerial inspection of military installations in the United States and the Soviet Union.

The speed which they responded in a public statement seemed to suggest advance consultations but some Congressional leaders who would have been consulted said that it was the first they had heard of the proposal.

Senator Walter George, Democratic chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said that the Eisenhower proposal would provide a test of the sincerity of the Great Powers represented in Geneva. He said that it meant that the United States would go as far as they asked any other nation to go, including Russia.

ONE MORE STEP

Senator Everett Sallston, former Republican chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said that he hoped it would be "one more step towards ending the cold war. I trust Russia will see the light."

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson, leader of the Democratic Party in the Senate, took the unusual step of issuing a statement from his hospital bed in which he enthusiastically welcomed the proposal.

"This proposal is our pledge of sincerity and good faith," he said.

Senator Eric Clements, Acting Senate Majority leader during Senator Johnson's illness, said: "The Communists are presented with a dilemma. Either they must reply with an offer of equal value and equal the daring or they must tell the world that they are unwilling to abandon their aggressive designs to take over the world."

The support of the Democratic majority in Congress, which seems assured by these authoritative statements, is essential to bring the President's proposal into effect so far as the United States is concerned.

ONLY WOMAN AT THE PARTY

Geneva, July 21. A LONE woman dined with the Big Four heads of government, their Foreign Ministers and about 30 other men guests at a glittering banquet here tonight. She was Miss Frances E. Willis, United States Ambassador to Switzerland. The banquet was given by M. Max Pettipierre, President of Switzerland, in the exaltable Greek-style Eynard Palace overlooking Geneva's "Park of the Nations."

Fifty-six-year-old Miss Willis of Metropolis, Illinois, was there with the British and French Ambassadors and the Soviet Minister to Switzerland. As M. Pettipierre received his Conference guests his wife

was entertaining the delegation ladies in a nearby mansion on the ramparts of Geneva. There were no men in Madame Pettipierre's party. The only Russian in Madame Pettipierre's party was Madame Erchov, wife of the Soviet Minister to Switzerland. The visiting Soviet delegates have left their wives at home.

M. Pettipierre proposed the toast to Queen Elizabeth, President Eisenhower, Marshal Kliment Voroshilov and President Rene Coty—in that order—and to the heads of government present.

In his speech of welcome, he said: "We believe that the need for peace has become so

great and so imperative among all peoples that relationships between nations will surely cease one day to be primarily governed by force and material to become ruled by law and agreements freely concluded. Thus we hope to see in this Geneva meeting an important stage, perhaps a decisive one, on the road to peace."

The Swiss President declared: "Empires come and go. But man throughout the centuries remains attached to the values which make his life worthwhile—the earth of his country, his family, his work, his freedoms and his security. These are the values which are at stake."—Reuter.

Storm Likely Over Duke's Crash

London, July 21.

The Duke of Kent was tonight recovering rapidly from his third car crash six days ago which threatens to develop into a controversial storm involving himself, the Royal Family and the War Office.

At the Royal Military Academy hospital, Sandhurst, the 19-year-old Duke was said to be making "a very satisfactory and rapid recovery from the comparatively minor injuries which he has received."

But it is not yet known whether he will be fit to attend a passing out parade of cadets there next week.

The Duke's accident happened last Friday when his car crashed the upside down in a ditch.

Today, many popular national newspapers asked why the news

of the accident was not released by the War Office for six days. Two said that Royal pressure would be exerted on the Duke, cousin of the Queen and seventh in line of succession, to the throne to ensure his greater personal safety.

The rightwing Daily Mail said the Duke of Kent might come under a Royal Family edict banning him from car driving until further notice.

NO GOVT. ACTION

No official parliamentary action can be taken to restrain the Duke's driving; only the Royal Family can curtail him if they think fit.

The Liberal News Chronicle said some Members of Parliament were perturbed by what they feared were official attempts to hush up the accident.—Reuter.

Doctors' Report On Nuclear Weapons

London, July 22.

Doctors from nine countries, members of an international commission set up to investigate the medical and biological effects of atomic explosions, today called for no more explosions of atomic and hydrogen bombs.

The call was made in a preliminary report published here today in the Lancet, one of Britain's leading medical journals.

The commission met in Tokyo, Osaka, Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The doctors came from Britain, South Africa, France, West Germany, Chile, Russia, China, Belgium and Czechoslovakia.

The doctors report said: "We consider that the persistence of radio-active contamination of the sea, rain and atmosphere is the most important feature of experimental H-bomb explosions, for we are afraid that the cumulative effects of increased irradiation over widespread areas may result in unfavourable genetic changes among the populations of those areas."

INTERROGATION

The doctors interrogated many survivors at atomic bomb explosions in Japan, and commented in the report "the release of vast quantities of energy and fissionable material from the explosion of atom and hydrogen bombs has produced severe effect in exposed human beings."

"Most of those affected have died. Those who survived commonly suffered, or suffer, from various after-effects and many cases of blood disease terminating fatally have already occurred among them."

"Pregnant women frequently miscarried and some children who were exposed have been retarded mentally and physically."

"The study of these various effects should continue and periodic international conferences be convened to evaluate the results."—China Mail Special.

Tel-Aviv, July 21. An Israeli spokesman said today that Egyptian anti-aircraft guns today opened fire on an Israeli plane flying over Israeli territory near the Gaza border strip.

The spokesman said the fire, which came from the Egyptian side of the border strip, did not hit the plane.—Reuter.

LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD

Washington, July 21.

The House of Representatives Un-American Activities Committee will investigate alleged Communist infiltration into the New York show business next month. It was announced here.

At least 12 actors and writers are reported to have received subpoenas calling for their appearance at hearings in New York in August. — China Mail Special.

SILENT PICKETS UNNERVE OFFICIALS

Johannesburg, July 21.

Silent picketing has become a nerve-wrecking ordeal, South African Government officials were discovering today.

For days women members of the "Defence Constitution League," wearing mourning sashes, have been dogging the steps of the officials, silently watching them as they come and go among the Government buildings here and in Pretoria.

Fighting the Government plan to increase Senate membership in order to legalize separate voting rolls for coloured citizens, the women have sworn to maintain their silent vigil until Parliament re-assembles in January.

MEET TRANSPORT

Others meet every train or plane in which a Minister or legislator is known to be a passenger, making sure he must pass between the silent ranks and read the words "Respect our constitution" littered on the morning sashes.

There is a growing tendency among the officials to avoid the main entrances to Government buildings and attempt to keep all their movements secret.—United Press.

Jeannette Repaired Her Flats

New York, July 21.

Jeannette MacDonald, the singer, was cleared yesterday of charges that she failed to keep in proper repair a block of flats she owns here.

Building inspectors said it had been repaired.

Chief Magistrate John Murtagh, therefore, dismissed a

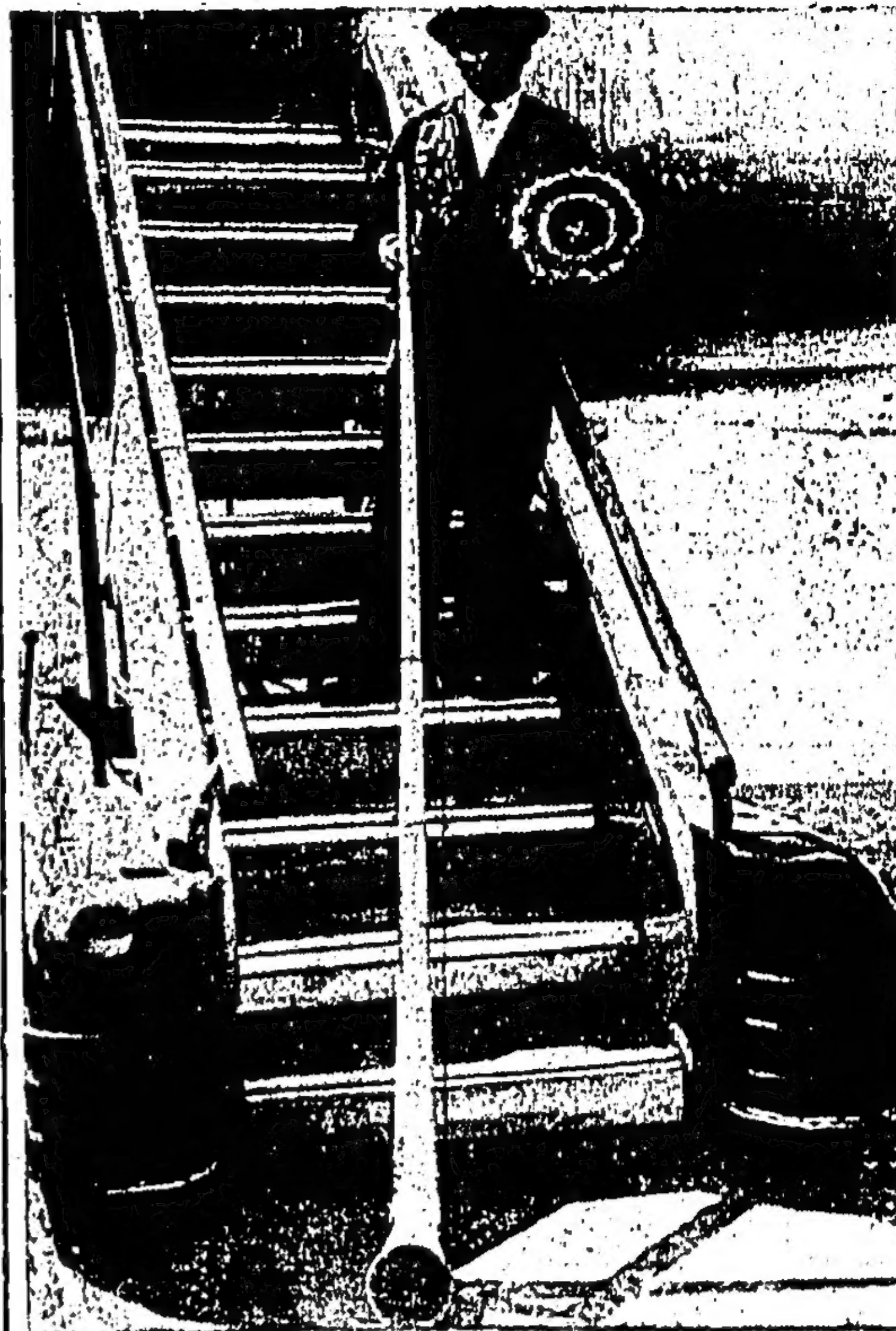


MISS MACDONALD

warrant for Miss MacDonald's arrest, issued on May 25 after she had failed to appear in court three times in connection with the case.

Her lawyer said she had been in California and had not been served with a summons.—China Mail Special.

Present From Switzerland



Mr Martin Christen, one of the best known Alpbahorn blowers in Switzerland, is pictured on arrival at London Airport with the 14ft. Alpbahorn which is a gift to the Spenborough Millbridge School, Yorkshire. The presentation started off as a joke for Headmaster Mr A. Harvey wanted to draw attention of the authorities to the lack of telephones at neighbouring schools, as pupils from the smaller schools had to attend Mr Harvey's school for certain lessons, and when lessons were suddenly cancelled Mr Harvey had no way of passing on the information. For a joke Mr Harvey suggested warning the schools by means of an Alpbahorn. A requisition order for an Alpbahorn went to the West Riding County Supplies Department. The Swiss National Tourist Office heard of the request and it was decided that a presentation should be made.—Express Photo.

Official Will Fight Loyalty Board

Washington, July 21.

William Henry Taylor, an official of the International Monetary Fund, announced through his lawyer on Thursday that he will offer a three-way challenge to the findings of a Loyalty Board that accused him of subversion and espionage against the US.

Mr Taylor's attorney, Mr-Byron N. Scott, said the board's findings were based on information supplied by "unnamed, unidentified and unsworn people." He said he will fight the case in court, in Congress and in the Loyalty Board itself, where he will demand a rehearing.

The finding against Taylor, a Canadian-born US citizen, was made by the International Monetary Fund's Loyalty Board, which was set up to pass on the loyalty of Americans employed by United Nations and other international agencies. Of Taylor it said:

BOARD CONVINCED

"This board is convinced that the employee has engaged in espionage and subversive activity against the United States, and that he was and possibly still is an adherent to the Communist ideology."

The board concluded that, based on all the evidence, "there is reason to doubt as to the loyalty of William Henry Taylor to the Government of the United States."

Since Taylor is employed by an international agency not subject to US control, the board's findings are advisory only. Any action is up to the agency itself.

The board said its findings were based on information from "many sources." It said Taylor "categorically denied that he had ever been a member of an espionage ring or of the Communist Party, but he acknowledged his association with numerous persons who have been identified with one or both groups."—Associated Press.

RED VILLAINS MAY BE OUT

New York, July 21.

Dorothy Kilgallen, an American newspaper columnist, says Hollywood is paying as much attention to the Big Four talks in Geneva as Washington or Moscow.

Miss Kilgallen wrote in the New York Journal American: "The film lobbies realize that it is by some miracle the United States and Russia, under a period of trusteeship and record, millions of dollars worth of finished pictures—in which the villains are Communist—may be not only 'dated' but contrary to national policy."—China Mail Special.

Lancashire Lads Defended

Not Demoralising Young Girls

London, July 21.

Teen-aged boys in Britain are drinking more and are corrupting more girls while the behaviour of older persons is becoming more moderate.

That is the finding of a survey, based on police records and conclusions of social workers throughout the country, made by the Economic Research Council, an independent statistical organisation which makes studies of social trends.

It was undertaken for the United Kingdom Alliance, an association of temperance workers.

The Council report stated:

"The almost inescapable conclusion is that not only is the young male indulging in liquor to an increasing extent, but he is using his surplus earnings to demoralise the young girl as, or before she leaves school."

In 1953 and 1954 drunkenness among persons 21 years old and over decreased 5 per cent in 25 police districts, while it increased 7.5 per cent among persons younger than 21.

ILLEGITIMATE BIRTHS

In the same two years illegitimate births among mothers less than 21 rose 9 per cent, and rose sharply by 23 per cent among girls under 17. In the same period illegitimate births among mothers more than 21 fell by 3 per cent.

The survey results, however, were sharply challenged by some social workers.

Douglas Crowther, a Manchester probation officer, said: "The allegation that young men were drinking more and corrupting more young girls is 'ridiculous'."

ON OTHER FOOT

"I should say that the boot is rather on the other foot," he said. "The girls are more likely to demoralise the young lads. Young men up to the age of 20 are generally more indifferent to girls than they used to be."

A. J. Peterson, Chief Constable of Salford, defended the British livers.

"It is our experience that far more immorality comes from the milk bars than from the pubs," he said. "My officers know that dances and milk bars where the girls and boys gather are the places where they tend to go astray."—Associated Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Happening (8).
- 7 Scrimmage (5).
- 8 Essays (5).
- 10 Hire (5).
- 13 Swell (7).
- 16 Drug (4).
- 17 Put off (7).
- 18 Aromatic (7).
- 20 Grit (4).
- 21 Unverified reports (7).
- 22 Stronghold (5).
- 27 Lies back (5).
- 28 Tendency (5).
- 29 Hangs (5).

DOWN

- 1 Requested (5).
- 2 Pulls along (5).
- 3 Likeness (5).
- 4 Detail (4).
- 5 Make use of (5).
- 6 Threw (5).
- 9 Delicate (5).
- 11 Relative (5).
- 12 Make reparation (5).
- 14 Infer (5).
- 15 Wall decorations (5).
- 16 Gem (5).
- 18 Frigidity (5).
- 19 Proclamations (5).
- 20 Spars (5).
- 22 Extreme (5).
- 24 Unwell (colloq.) (5).
- 25 Pleasant (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1. Repulse, 5. Brief, 8. Exile, 9. Looftop, 10. Afro, 11. Rhine, 12. Anon, 13. Trade, 16. Dialect, 18. Edited, 20. Sides, 22. Slur, 23. Aced, 25. Mecca, 26. Rustic, 27. Organi, 28. Blind, 29. Lenses, Down: 1. Release, 2. Proposed, 3. Ties, 4. Exhibit, 5. Blasted, 6. Refers, 7. Eered, 14. Athletes, 15. Embassy, 16. Discard, 17. General, 19. Deacons, 21. Ideal, 24. Dune.

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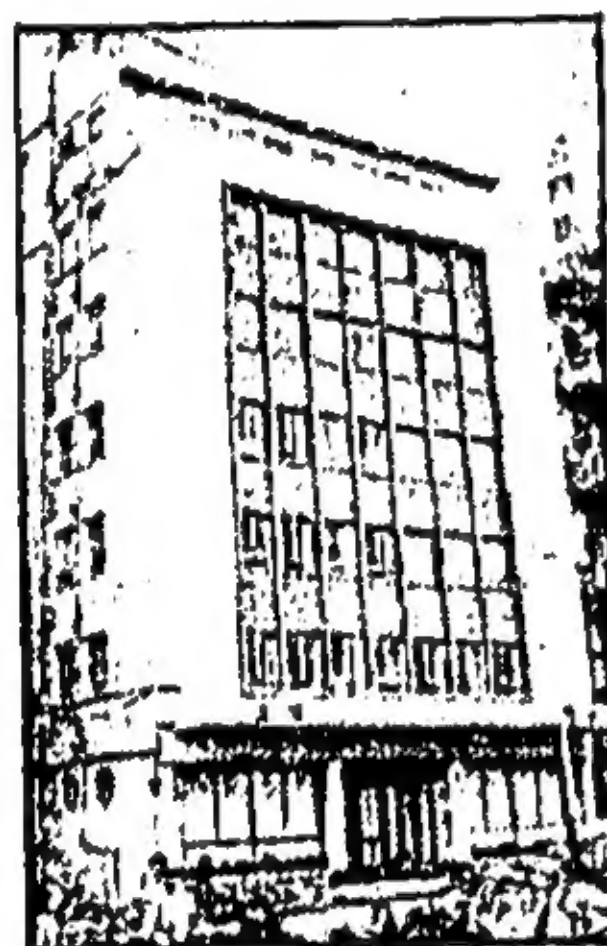
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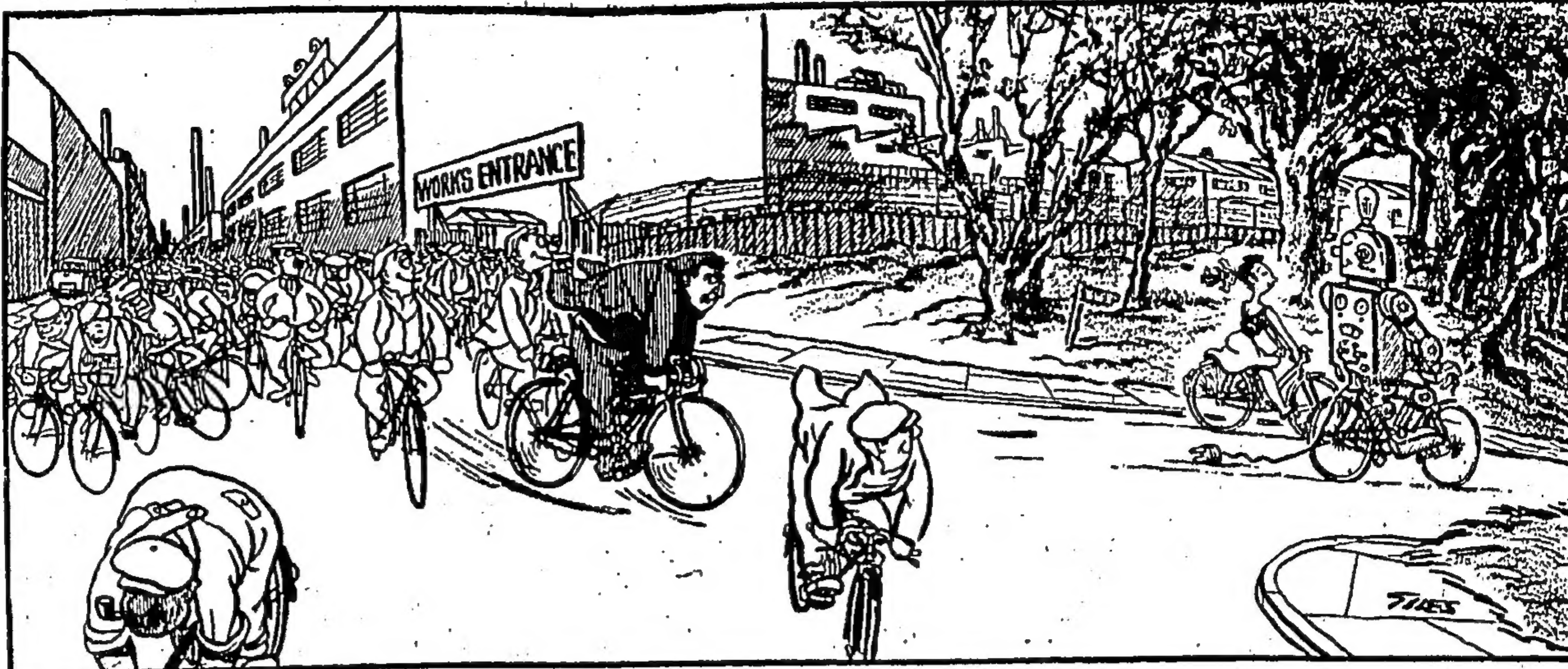
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CLARKE put his glass down on the bar with a gasp. His jaw dropped and his eyes dilated. I followed his gaze to the gilt-edged mirror which ran round the back of the bar and saw the dark reflection of the room behind us, but no flare betrayed the outbreak of a fire and no throng indicated the entrance of a film star. The dance band played on, the dancers danced unenthusiastically and the waiters stood round trying not to notice the patrons. All seemed as before.

"What's the matter?" I asked. "Baldini," he answered in a strained voice, and then turned slowly on the bar stool and stared into the room. "Where?"

"Just being seated on the right, by the pillar."

Flushing

I looked and saw a stocky man in a blue suit taking his place at a table alone. I was not much impressed. "Who's Baldini?" I asked. "Baldini," answered Clarke, and his eyes were as though he had observed some profound truth for the first time. "Baldini is acknowledged to be the greatest magician in the world." I looked again. Clarke couldn't expect me to be as staggered by the event as himself, for after all, his was a professional interest and mine wasn't.

"I've never seen him work," he went on, more to himself than to me, "but I've read so much about him I almost feel I know him." He rose abruptly and emptied his glass, colour flushing his usually pale cheeks. "Let's go over and talk to him."

I finished my drink and we crossed to Baldini's table and Clarke introduced himself and me. Baldini graciously motioned me to be seated.

"Mr. Clarke," he repeated, picking up the card on the table, "I see you are appearing here. An unexpected pleasure. I dropped in for a night-cap with no idea that I should get the chance to see such a distinguished confrere."

Excited

Clarke acknowledged the compliment and made a few of his own. I felt quite proud that the great Baldini should praise a friend of mine, although I knew Clarke was considered to be among the top magicians of the country. Personally, I find it difficult to tell whether one magician is better than another, unless I actually catch

him taking something out of his pocket and slipping it into his mouth, or vice versa.

It appeared that Baldini had only just arrived in town. He and Clarke began to talk shop and I stayed somewhat in the background, but I could see that Clarke was excited and even a little nervous. Suddenly he leaned forward, hesitated, and then spoke.

"Mr. Baldini, I know I shouldn't ask you this, but I've been such a great admirer of yours and yet I've never seen you work. Will you will you show me a card trick?"

Baldini smiled and didn't answer for a moment. Then he turned, beckoned to a waiter and asked him to bring a fresh deck of cards.

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"We'll see what we can do," he murmured.

Clarke grinned delightedly, and the excitement he felt spread across the table to me. The new deck was brought and Baldini passed it over to him.

"Undo them," he said.

Clarke broke the seals carefully, and then in response to Baldini's further demand, he took out the joker and began to shuffle the pack.

Until that evening I didn't know that there were so many different ways of shuffling cards, or that one man could be so mistrustful of another. Clarke shuffled, above the table, below the table, and behind his back.

He looked for mirrors, for accomplices, and all the time, out of the corner of his eye, at Baldini. But Baldini, who seemed singularly unconcerned with the whole pro-

by John Buckmaster



JOHN BUCKMASTER is the actor son of Gladys Cooper. Like his brother-in-law, Robert Morley, he is quite capable of writing his own line, and is as well known on the New York stage for his revue sketches and lyrics as for his interpretations of Shavian roles. Born in 1915 he became an American citizen while serving in the U.S. air force during the war.

cedure, just lit a cigarette, crossed his legs nonchalantly at the side of the table and studied the crowded room.

At last Clarke seemed satisfied.

"O.K.," he said. Baldini looked over to him. "Cut the pack."

He did so.

"Think of a card."

"Right," Clarke nodded.

"What card have you thought of?"

"The four of clubs."

Clarke waited expectantly. I watched Baldini's face.

"Turn up the top card," he said, and flicked his ash casually.

Clarke slowly reached to the pack, took the top card and turned it over. It was the four

Clarke, sitting like a dishevelled Buddha, could see himself from every angle . . .

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Clarke rose reluctantly, and shook my hand.

"I'm going to find out how he did it if it takes me a year," he said. His mouth was compressed and his eyes were rather wild.

"Well, good luck," I cried, backing to the door. "Don't overdo it," and as I went out I saw him sit down again and start dealing to himself. I sighed. I was fond of Clarke.

Milk bar

It wasn't until about three months later that I ran into him again. I went into a milk bar at about four-thirty one morning to quench my thirst and solve the conscience that doctors' orders implant in the weak-willed, and as I ordered a shake-with-egg, I glanced down the counter and saw the familiar figure of my friend.

The whole incident of the four of clubs rushed back into my mind, and I moved to the seat next to him. After the preliminary greetings, I turned the conversation to our last meeting.

"Did you ever find the solution to Baldini's card trick?"

Clarke smiled, the memory lighting up his face.

"Yes, I did."

I leaned forward expectantly. "I worked at it for six solid weeks, day and night, every spare moment. I lost weight, I couldn't sleep and when I did I only dreamed about the damn trick. I thought I was going nuts. But in the end, he went on, 'I didn't solve the problem myself.'"

He slipped through his straw.

Few drinks

"One night I ran into Baldini again. We sat and talked, had a few drinks, in fact we got on very well, and at the end of the evening I broke down and confessed what I'd been doing every spare second since the last time I'd seen him."

"Professional etiquette or not, Baldini," I said, "for heaven's sake, if you've an ounce of compassion in you, tell me how you did that trick; I tell you, it's driving me mad."

"And he told you?" I asked Clarke.

He nodded.

"He thought for a moment and then he smiled and said, 'Mr. Clarke, I will tell you how I did the trick. It is quite simple. When you asked me to perform a trick for you in the first place, I knew from your reputation that there was no card trick based on any accepted formula that you would not see through.'

"And he told you?" I asked Clarke.

He nodded.

"How long has this been going on?" I asked.

"Since 11 o'clock," he answered, not looking up. "I was then, four in the afternoon."

"Well, I must be off," I said. "Got to catch a train."

"Got to catch a train."

Jackpot For Dorothy

from
HENRY LOWRIE

New York.

HOUSEWIFE Dorothy Madigan of Silver Lake, Ohio, dreams of uranium millions.

She has an apronful of precious jet-black ore. The U.S. Atomic Energy Commission told her it is the second best find in the world. Husband John guffawed when she said she was off to find uranium. Now he has changed his tune.

Five hundred miles away over the border in Canada stands Dorothy Madigan's claim near a deserted talcum mine in a desolate expanse of brushwood north-east of Bancroft, Ontario.

Forty-eight-year-old Mrs. Madigan, who had heard rumours, on hunting trips, of radio-active rocks there, bought a geiger counter. She and two friends set off.

Within 14 hours they were hacking away with picks and shovels. Then, said Mrs. Madigan, "my geiger counter went crazy."

They drove back to an A.E.C. plant nearby and told officials.

Their verdict: "A very valuable find—though the samples don't necessarily indicate its commercial value."

Main problem for the Madigans: "How can we afford to have it dug up?" Added Mrs. M.: "Anyway, John isn't laughing any more."

I DROVE to New York from Canada along New York Thruway, the 1,000-million dollar highway from Buffalo to New York, of which all but the last 30 miles are now open.

There are now 391 miles of dual parkways (two or three lanes each way) without a stop-light or a crossing, without a hill or a curve, without a pedestrian or a cyclist.

If that road were in Britain one could zoom all the way from London to Edinburgh.

Instead of "Halt" or "Go Slow," the royal blue signs warn: "No stopping except for repairs."

Toll is a penny a mile and they say that the Thruway saved me 288 changes of gear; 152 applications of brakes; 69 stops; and cut four hours 20 minutes off the driving time.

Almost everyone keeps going at the legal speed limit, 60 miles an hour.

My only complaint against this wonder road is that by keeping my foot at exactly the same pressure on the accelerator my heel has a sore spot.

CRIME buster Esco Kefauver is off to Chicago to investigate what he calls "the hot baby racket."

The chairman of the Senate Juvenile Delinquency subcommittee says unscrupulous people are cashing in on the demand for babies for adoption.

The laws governing adoption of babies in the United States are very strict. Many childless couples have to wait months or years before they can get one. So this market in human goods is not surprising.

DID IT REALLY HAPPEN?

YES NO

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Leeds, July 21.

England dismissed South Africa for 171 and then lost two first innings wickets for 25 runs on the opening day of the Fourth Cricket Test here today.

The South Africans, trailing 1-2 in the five-game series, were still well in the fight at the end of the day despite the dramatic collapse of their early batsmen.

BASEBALL RESULTS

New York, July 21.

Major League baseball results today were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Kansas City, Larry Frank Sullivan finally relieved and gave Kansas City its first run in 16 innings against Boston pitching but the eighth inning rally fell short and the Sox sent the Athletics down to their 10th consecutive defeat, 4-3.

R H E
Boston 4 8 2
Kansas City 3 0 2
Sullivan, R. Shantz, Cicerelli (9) and Astor, W. Sullivan, L. R. Shantz.

Chicago—The Chicago White Sox chased a 4-0 first inning deficit and used Bob Kennedy's two-run double in the seventh to defeat first place New York 9-6, trimming the Yankees' American League lead to one game.

Chicago's third pitcher, Dixie Howell, hurled the final seven innings for the victory.

R H E
New York 6 12 1
Chicago 9 13 2
Ford, Morgan (2), Lopat (3), Howell (3) and Lollar, W. Howell, L. Lopat.

Detroit—Catcher Frank House broke up a pitching duel between Baltimore's Skinny Brown and Detroit's Bill Hooton with his 8th home run, giving the Tigers a 1-0 triumph over the Orioles. The blow came in the 7th inning, each pitcher allowed only six hits.

R H E
Baltimore 0 0 0
Detroit 1 0 0
Brown and Smith; Hooton and House.

Home run—Detroit, House. Cleveland—Vic Worz pitcher double tied it up in the ninth and singles by Al Smith and Larry Doby in the tenth won the game 4-3 for the Cleveland Indians, as they snapped the Washington Nationals' winning streak at five straight. Ray Nariski was the mound victor, making his record 6-0.

R H E
Washington 3 9 0
Cleveland 4 12 0
Schmitz, Stone (9), Anderson (10) and Courtney, Houtteman, Moss (9), Nariski (10) and Folles, W. Nariski, L. Abernathy.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Pittsburgh—Southpaw Warren Spahn pitched and batted the Milwaukee Braves to a 5-3 victory over the Pittsburgh Pirates. Spahn belted with the run home in the sixth and the Braves trailing 3-2. It was his second homer of the year. Hank Aaron also homered for the Braves in the second.

R H E
Milwaukee 5 8 1
Pittsburgh 3 6 0
Spahn and Crandall; Donoso, Friend (9) and Shepard, L. Donoso.

Home runs—Milwaukee, Aaron, Spahn. Brooklyn—Rookie Don Bessent of Brooklyn held the Chicago Cubs to five hits to win his second straight big league start, 4-1. Jim Davis walked in the first Dodger run in the fourth by passing Don Zimmerman with a bases loaded and the Cubs added three more off relief Hal Jeffcoat in the eighth. Ernie Banks' homer leading off the ninth ruined Bessent's shutout bid.

R H E
Chicago 1 5 0
Brooklyn 4 5 0
Duffy, Jeffcoat (8) and Chilli; Bessent and Campanella, L. Davis.

Home run—Chicago, Banks. New York—Willie Mays hit 20th homer and Sid Gordon hit third as the New York Giants topped St. Louis 6-5 to give Don Liddle a victory in relief. The winning run was scored on a fielder's choice in the eighth when Red Schoendienst's throw to the plate, after fielding Hank Thompson's ground ball, too late to get pinch runner Ruben Gomez.

R H E
St. Louis 5 8 0
New York 6 5 1
Arroyo, Lawrence (9), Jackson (8) and Smith, Maglie, Liddle (9) and Westrum, Kops (9), Hoffman (9), W. Liddle, L. Lawrence.

Home runs—New York, Mays, Gordon. Associated Press.

INEXPLICABLE

The South African collapse was as unexpected as it was inexplicable. The pitch was blameless and the bowling though hostile and steady, was not by any means fiery or ferocious.

Jackie McGlew and left-hander Trevor Goddard seemed set for a big score when untroubled they put on a cautious 33. But then Loader went on for a second spell and down went the wickets of McGlew, Hetherly Keith, Percy Mansell and Goddard for the addition of only one more run.

McGlew and Keith were both caught at the wicket; off Loader by his County team mate, Arthur McIntyre, who gained his place because of Godfrey's Evans' broken finger.

FURTHER MISFORTUNE
Mansell was clean bowled by Bailey and Goddard had his wicket shattered by Loader. Further misfortune overtook the tourists after lunch, until Eadean (41) and Tayfield (25 not out) came together in their line stack of almost a run a minute.

England's experiment of making Bailey opening batsman again failed. He fell leg-before to Peter Heine with 16 on the board. Eight runs later Lawson, who had shown no initiative, time to take first use of a fast bowler, the South Africans lost half their side for only 38 runs. Seven wickets were down for 98.

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THE SCOREBOARD

South Africans 1st Innings
D. McGlew, c. McIntyre, b. Loader, 23
T. Goddard, b. Loader, 9
H. Keith, c. McIntyre, b. Loader, 0
P. Mansell, b. Bailey, 0
R. McLean, c. May, b. Loader, 41
J. Walle, run out, 2
P. Winslow, b. Statham, 6
R. Eadean, b. Statham, 41
H. Tayfield, not out, 25
P. Heine, b. Lock, 14
N. Adcock, lbw. b. Statham, 8
Extras, 171

England 1st Innings
Statham, 20.2 7 32 4
Loader, 18 7 52 4
Bailey, 16 7 23 1
Windle, 6 1 20 1
Lock, 6 1 20 1
Lay-byes 4, no balls 4
Extras 1st Innings
T. Bailey, lbw. b. Heine, 9
F. Lawson, lbw. b. Goddard, 7
P. May, not out, 2
G. A. Lock, not out, 2
Extras, 25

Total for two wickets, 25
Close Of Play.
Wickets fell at 15, 23.
BOWLING
O M R W
Heine 7 3 14 1
Adcock 4 4 4 0
Goddard 6 4 4 1
Tayfield 4 3 1 0
—Reuter.

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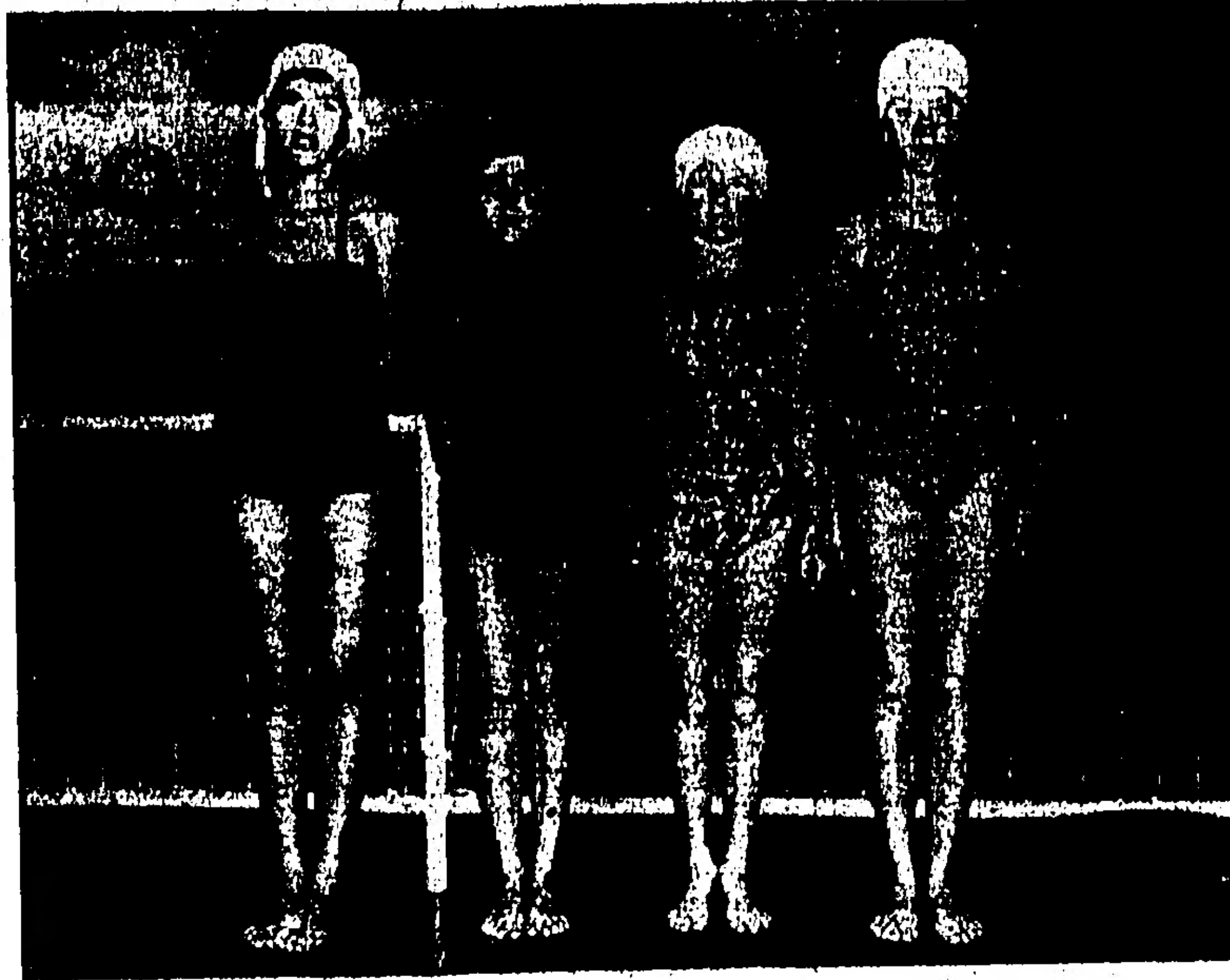
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BEST OFF THE BOARD



These four Girl Guide juniors finished first, second and joint third in the Hongkong Girl Guides Association Diving Competitions held at the Ladies Recreation Club on Wednesday. Right to left are: 1. S. Dixon (2nd Kowloon Company); 2. D. Prior (1st Kowloon Company); 3. A. Rice (1st Hongkong Company) and J. Lucas (1st Kowloon Company). — China Mail Photo.

SPORTS ROUNDABOUT

Dai Dower Changes Job To Harden His Hands For World Title Crack

Dai Dower, British and Empire Flyweight Boxing Champion who may soon get a crack at the world title, has changed his job. He is a blacksmith's striker at the Abercynon Colliery in South Wales, where both he and his father are employed.

Dower used to work in the carpenter's shop. He feels his new job will harden his hands which have become bruised and swollen after his last few fights.

Geoff Duke, World 500cc Motor Cycling Champion, will not enter for the British Championship motor cycle meeting on August. Bank Holiday. Instead, taking advantage of the lifting of the Auto Cycle Union ban on British riders competing elsewhere that week-end, he will race for Italy's Moto-Gilera at Fergallia.

Nat Lofthouse, 29-year-old Bolton Wanderers and England centre forward, will join another famous centre forward in a part-time job next season. Lofthouse has accepted a post as salesman for a firm of paintbrush manufacturers, which also employs Trevor Ford, the Cardiff City and Wales leader. Lofthouse, it is reported, will receive a new car and is likely to earn between £20 and £30 a week.

LAWN TENNIS
Tony Trabert, 24-year-old Wimbledon Champion, is expected to take part in the Asian Lawn Tennis Championships at Calcutta in the Autumn. Fellow American Ham Richardson, Sven Davidson of Sweden and 1954 Wimbledon Champion Jaroslav Drobný (Czech) are also likely to compete.

Doug Insole, 29-year-old Essex cricket captain and the most consistent batsman in the county at the moment, has informed the MCC that for business reasons he would not be able to go on the tour of Palestine next winter. Insole said he had been approached about the possibility of his joining the party.

A GREAT MATCH
Surrey had to bat again and lost a wicket in scoring the 48 runs needed for victory. Laker had a great match taking five wickets in each innings and hitting 53 in Surrey's first knock.

Yorkshire had a bad day at Taunton where they placed Somerset as 250 runs on with four wickets to fall. John Lawrence, Somerset's Yorkshire-born leg-break bowler, did the damage with six for 39 and the Northerners were all out for 157.

Somerset led by 131 but in adding to this lead they did little better and could only muster 119 for the loss of six wickets.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES
At Leicester: Hampshire 211 and 37 for two. Leicestershire 277 (Smith 70, Smithson 50, Shackleton, right-arm fast medium, five for 78).
At Taunton: Somerset 288 and 119 for six. Yorkshire 157 (Lawrence, right-arm leg break, six for 39).
At Nottingham: Gloucestershire 297 and 141 for two (Young not out, 62). Nottingham 233 (Sticks 64, Poole 63, Wells, right-arm offspin six for 60). — Reuter.

FRANCE'S DEGATS WINS 400 METRES IN RECORD TIME
Barcelona, Spain, July 21. Jacques Degats of France broke his own French national record in winning the 400 metres final at the Mediterranean Games.

This was also a new record for the Games. His time was 47.3. Degats held the record of 47.5 jointly with Jean Pierre Gaudou who finished fourth. Associated Press.

INEFFABLE HOAR
The ineffable Tony Hoar of Ensworth, Hants, arrived in this Mediterranean town with a behind at 71st place, to still keep the "Red rearlight" for the riders at 75th and last place in the general classification with 91 hours, 50 minutes and 44 seconds.

Hoar was left during the first climb after 30 miles. He later joined up with a four man rear party, including Australia's Russell Mockridge. The Australian trailed to last place after a puncture.

INDIVIDUAL STANDINGS
Overall individual classification.
1. A. Rolland (France) 87 hrs. 24 mins. 10 secs.
2. L. Bobet (France) 87 hrs. 29 mins. 3 secs.
3. P. Fornara (Italy) 87 hrs. 30 mins. 28 secs.
4. J. Brankart (Belgium) 87 hrs. 34 mins. 54 seconds.
5. R. Geminiani (France) 87 hrs. 36 mins. 10 seconds.
6. C. Asinara (Italy) 87 hrs. 36 mins. 54 seconds.
7. W. Van der (Holland) 87 hrs. 37 mins. 59 seconds.
— France Press.

Hongkong Hockey Club Meeting
The Hongkong Hockey Club are holding an informal meeting at the Hongkong Cricket Club on Wednesday, July 27, at 5.30 p.m. Anyone interested in playing for the Club during the forthcoming season is invited to attend.

ASIAN SPORTS REVIEW

Good Marks At Singapore AAA Championships

Tan Eng-yoon brought the Singapore record for the Hop, Step and Jump up to 47 feet 8 inches at the Singapore AAA Championships at Jalan Besar Stadium last Friday. His previous best mark of 47 feet 6 inches had been accomplished at the Malayan AAA Championships at Kuala Lumpur in 1953.

Eng-yoon failed again in his bid to become the first Malayan athlete to break evens for the 100 Yards Dash. He was clocked in 10.0 seconds in a heat—his fourth Century in evens this year—but could only do 10.2 in the final. He also won the 220 Yards Dash in 22.9 seconds.

Mary Kloss, silver medalist in the 100 Metres Dash at the Asian Games in Manila last year, equalled the Malayan record of 11.7 seconds jointly held by Fay Siebel and Annie Cheong of Selangor.

Kernal Singh set up a new Singapore record of 11 feet 9 3/4 inches in the Pole Vault, in which event the five qualifiers for the final had to clear 10 feet.

A Singapore AAA Championship record fell to Lin Cheng in the Long Jump as he cleared 22 feet 0 1/2 inches. Jerrie Henderson won the High Jump at 6 feet 0 1/2 inch.

AN UPSET
An upset came in the 120 Yards High Hurdles as Asian Games hurdler Tan Soo-lat was beaten by Gan Boon-jeong in a good 15.9 seconds.

Chan On-ling, Singapore's diver medalist, former 400 Metres Hurdles at last year's Asian Games, took his specialty—the 400 Yards Hurdles—in 57.3 seconds and successfully doubled to upset E. J. de Villa in a 52.2 seconds Quarter Mile.

Ruth Ferreira improved the Singapore and Malayan Women's High Jump record to 4 feet 10 1/2 inches—still below Jennifer Hart's Hongkong record of 4 feet 11 1/2 inches. Ruth also won the 80 Metres Hurdles in 14.8 seconds.

Mary Kloss completed a double by winning the 220 Yards Dash in 27.3 seconds for a new Singapore record.

Rene Ballerand, formerly of Hongkong, won the Shot Put at 28 feet 7 inches. He was second to Sid Coleman's 125 feet 2 inches in the Discus Throw.

The Javelin Throw went to W. Pratt at 171 feet 1 inch and the Hammer Throw to Li. Ch. L. Reidy. Reidy, Irish Olympic Games thrower, at a new Singapore record of 100 feet 7 inches.

The 880 Yards went to John Bottomley in 2 minutes 2.8 seconds, the Mile to L. F. Malland in 4:41.4 and the Three Miles to Cpl. Moloney in 18 minutes 18.8 seconds.

Cpl. Jack Wood, formerly of the RAF Kai Tak, was second in the Mile, third in the Three Miles and also qualified for the final of the 880 Yards but did not place in the first three.

Sports Diary
TODAY
Athletics
HKAAA Annual General Meeting at Education Dept., 5.30 p.m.
Bowls
Open Pairs Championship: Match at CCC, KGC, HKFC, Reco, TC (2nd round).
Golf
Ladies Tourney, Deep Water Bay, First Round.

TOMORROW
First Division: Reco, "B" v KGC; Filipino Club v KGC; RC v Reco; Reco v KGC.
Second Division: KCC v Filipino Club; USC v CCC; KCC v Filipino Club; USC v CCC; KCC v Filipino Club; USC v CCC.
Baseball League
US Navy v Overseas "Red" at 4.30 p.m.

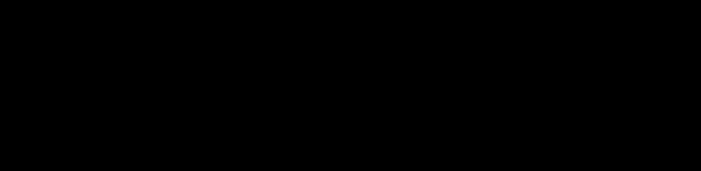
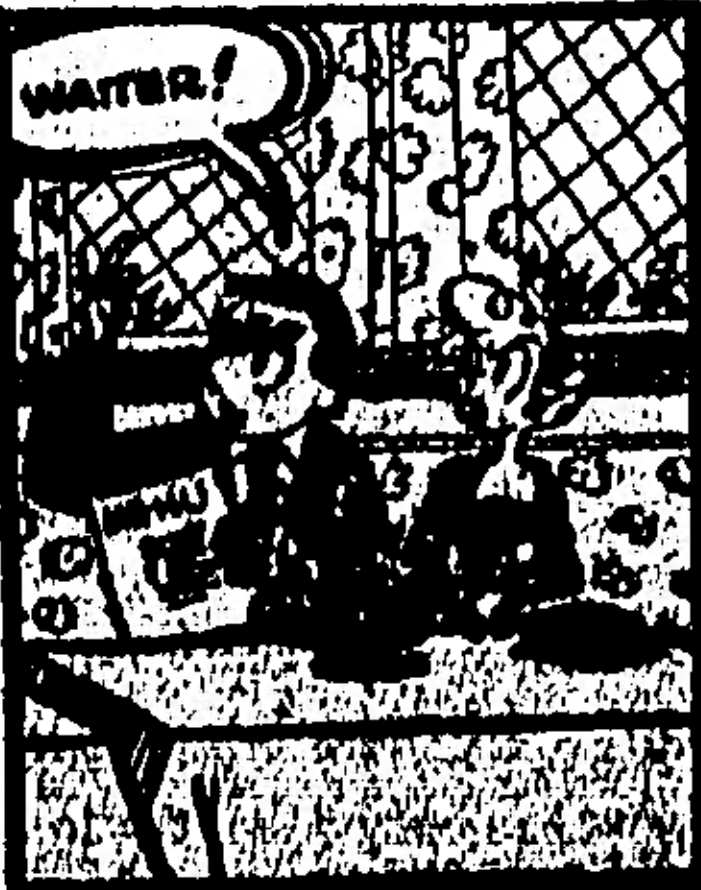
SUNDAY
Lawn Bowls
Open Pairs Championship: Match at HKFC, KGC, RC, Tel. Reco; Reco v CCC.

MONDAY
Football
Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Football Association. Commencing at 8 p.m. at HKFC.

TUESDAY
Tennis
Men's 1st Division: KYCA (1) v KGC; KCC (2) v HKFC; CCR (3) v KYCA (2) v CCR (1) v CCR (1).
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Chesterfield Cup Final Acceptors
London, July 21. Sixteen final acceptors with weights for the Chesterfield Cup to be run over a mile and a quarter at Goodwood on Friday, July 29, were announced here today as follows:
Prestet (9 st. 1 lb), Coronation Year (8 st. 12 lb), Alphenhorn (8 st. 8 lb), Victory and Windsor Sun (both 8 st. 3 lbs), Sierra Nevada and Minirel (both 8 st. 2 lbs), Sweet (7 st. 11 lbs), Solon Morn and Royal Mail (both 7 st. 8 lbs), Gunman (7 st. 5 lbs), Romany Mirel and Coronation Boy (both 7 st. 4 lbs), Jai Pat, Babbaro and Bren Carrier (all 7 st.). — China Mail Special.

THE GAMBOLS



THIRD TEST

The Cheers Were For Godfrey Evans In Those Last Dramatic Minutes

South Africa won the third Test. But when victory was made certain in those last dramatic minutes at Old Trafford, the cheers were not only for the Springboks.

For the crowd remembered wicket-keeper Godfrey Evans, who came in to bat when the sands were running out for England.

The man who specialises in catches behind the wicket and the lightning-removal of balls stepped bravely forward in a last bid to save the match for his country.

It was a brave gesture because player encased the little finger of his right hand, broken

the previous day; brave because he was in agony after every stroke and brave because despite all this he stayed to score 36 glorious runs.

And that frank last wicket partnership of 48 in 34 minutes with Bailey set the match alight.

ACUTE EMERGENCY

When Evans came in, not unexpectedly because he had invited he would bat in any acute emergency—England were only 88 ahead.

Had he not batted—or had he made a duck, which might have been expected and excused because he could not grip the handle of the bat properly with his right hand—South Africa would have made those runs at their leisure. They would have had all but 10 minutes of three hours left to do it in. It was 20 minutes past three with the score 333 for 9 wickets.

When Godfrey's magnificent swashbuckling innings ended, appropriately by his being caught near the boundary by rainier Roy McLaren, the clock was showing three minutes to four. Score 381.

The Springboks had to get 144 in two hours and a quarter—just over a run a minute, thanks to Godfrey Evans.

Pure coincidence that Bailey was his partner in June 1950 when together they set up a record for the sixth wicket in an England-West Indies Test with 101 runs. It was Evans' first Test century and his first also in first class cricket in England. That also was at Manchester.

Yet runs did not always come so easily for Evans. In the

Adelaide Test match of 1947 he was at the wicket for 97 minutes before scoring his first run.

But in 1952 Godfrey celebrated another century, when he made his 100th dismissal in Test cricket by stumping Indian batsman Shinde at Lord's.

Evans was not finished by any means. In August of that year he reached his 1,500 runs for the season and collected a £100 bet he had with Kent second team captain T. A. Crawford.

NOT SURPRISING

It was not altogether surprising, therefore, that in 1952 Godfrey was voted "Cricketer of the Year" by Lord's Taverners and consequently made an honorary member of that Association to join Freddie Brown and Tom Doherty.

It was not until 1954 that Evans set up his world record. It was during the fourth Test against Pakistan at the Oval. He held three catches to bring his total of Test victims to 131. The previous best was 130 by Bert Oldfield of Australia.

That might well have been Evans' way of saying thanks to the people of Kent for the record Kent benefit of £5,259 he received the previous year.

When he is not playing cricket Godfrey is at his home quite understandably named "The Wickies" in the Kentish village of Bearsted, near Maidstone, with his wife Jean and nine-year-old son Howard.

But there's not much time for family life for the world's number one wicket-keeper and a personality admired and respected wherever cricket is played.



England's injured wicket-keeper Godfrey Evans (left) — he broke his finger during the Third Test at Manchester — chats to his deputy Tom Graveney in the nets at Old Trafford. But that finger did not prevent Evans from going in to bat and scoring 36 glorious runs.—London Express Photo.

You Will Hear A Lot More Of Mr Waterman

Says GEORGE WHITING

The pale young man in the houndstooth sports jacket hitched his blue and white tie a half-inch to the left and remarked, thoughtfully, that Thurber was quite an author, that Stephen Potter was really on the ball with his gamesmanship, and that only fools had the illusion that they could keep both good looks and a bank balance in the fight game.

Now no fighter — not even the erudite Gene Tunney — has ever thrown Thurber at me. But 20-year-old Peter Waterman did, and plenty besides.

You know Waterman, of course, if not, you soon will do. For this explosive young welterweight is going to be an international Champion very soon—a Champion, possibly, in the hell-and-high-water tradition of Basham, Lewis, Boon.

LOST INTEREST

So far, 23 professional opponents have tried to curb his boxing aspirations. Nineteen got hurt and lost interest before the advertised end of the proceedings, three stayed upright long enough to listen to points deductions against them, and one actually managed "to

The 24th, a roofing expert called George Happe, tries his luck at Streatham on July 10. Boxing laws decree that Master Waterman may not fight for Wally Thom's British Championship until he becomes professional. Promoter Jack Kramer reportedly is ready with \$75,000 if Trabert has a big year.—Associated Press.

Our young man occupies himself assiduously, distributing thick ears, absorbing Thurber, selling senior haberdashery over the counter at Tooting, and acquiring contemporary furni-

ture for a flat he shares at West Norwood.

WALKING PROOF

Win or lose a championship, Waterman is walking proof that you need not be a moron to succeed in the sweat and swipe trade.

As an amateur with Calcutta, he left-handed his way to 21 wins in 130 bouts, became junior and senior Champion of Britain, and was only 17½ years old when, as the "baby" of our 1952 Olympic team, he took a black eye to show the Queen at Buckingham Palace. Philip, incidentally, considered the "mince" to be only a modest specimen.

Having beaten an Argentine and lost to a South African—his last defeat—in Finland, Waterman continued with Calcutta until, surveying a collection of seven tenpots won in as many weeks, he decided to fight professionally for rather more negotiable rewards.

The point about all this chin-wacking, however, is that Stephen-born Waterman, son of a railwayman and the Henry Thornton Grammar School at Clapham, Mathematics; art, French, German—even a scrape or two on the violin—kept pace with boxing, lawn tennis, football, cricket, swimming.

These and other manifestations of the Waterman way of life will assuredly be ballyhooed and glorified if he becomes a champion. But my own favourite anecdote will always be the one about the time he and two No-nuggetists were challenged by a gang of bottle-armed Teddy-bos on Clapham Common.

Did Waterman smile then? No, he talked them out of it. Which proves to me that, if his fists fail him, he can always make a living as a manager.

(London Express Service)

BASKETBALL FESTIVAL

Singapore Invites 9 Countries For Nanyang Cup

Singapore, July 21. Nine Southeast Asian countries are to be invited to take part in a basketball festival in Singapore in November. It was announced here.

The competition will be for the Nanyang University Cup. Invitations to send men and women teams will go out to Japan, South Korea, Formosa, the Philippines, Hongkong, Malaya, and Singapore. The festival will also comprise basketball, table tennis, and other sports.

Some of the more elegant models have foot heaters, cigarette-lighters, radios, and even drink coolers and built-in cocktail sets.

(London Express Service)

HARBIG'S "UNBEATABLE" 800 METRES RECORD IS NEAR TO EXTINCTION

By "RECORDER"

On July 15, 1939, on Milan's famous 500-metre track, the two greatest middle distance runners of the day, Germany's Rudolf Harbig and Italy's Mario Lanzi, met in the 800 Metres race in the course of a two-day international athletic match between the two countries.

It was going to be a great race, athletic fans the world over were certain, and the world record was being threatened. Little did anyone realise that the German postman was going that day to set up a record that would survive 16 years and is still unbroken.

Press photo agencies had quite a few pictures of both Harbig and Lanzi on file and a few of the agencies bothered to send a photographer along. The few pictures that exist of the finish of the race are today some of the rarest collectors' pieces in existence.

It is not known now whether Harbig was killed in the war on the Prussian front or was taken prisoner by the Russians. Germans returning from Russian prison camps even insist that Harbig was their prison camp barber, but Frau Harbig has given up all hope.

That summer day in Milan, Harbig negotiated the "Metric Half Mile" in 1 minute 46.0 seconds. Up to last August, no other runner the world over had come within 1.3 seconds of the mark, the nearest being Mal Whitfield, Olympic Champion at both London and Helsinki, who recorded 1 minute 47.9 seconds at Turku, Finland, on July 17, 1953.

DREAM CAME TRUE

Then, at Berne, Switzerland, in the European Athletic Championships last August, came the Szentgall dream victory. Lajos Szentgall, a little known Hungarian middle distance runner, woke up on the morning of the 800 Metres final with a story to tell of a dream in which he had seen himself slide through in an outside lane between Roger Moens of Belgium and Derek Johnson of England with the tape just a few feet away.

It was an ambitious dream, startlingly true just as he dreamed it. The result of the race was fantastic. Five men in one race had run faster than the kingpin of all Half Miles over a span of five years and two Olympiads had ever managed.

The result was: 1. Lajos Szentgall, Hungary, 1m.47.1s; 2. Lucien Debuyck, Belgium, 1m.47.2s; 3. Aldis Boyen, Great Britain, 1m.47.4s; 4. Roger Moens, Belgium, 1m.47.5s; 5. Derek Johnson, Great Britain, 1m.47.9s.

Later in the season the Dane, Gunnar Nielsen equalled Whitfield's world record of 1 minute 46.6 seconds for the Half Mile, and even that was considered quite an achievement.

Early in March this year, California's Len Spurrer started the athletic world, bringing the record jointly held by Whitfield and Nielsen down to 1 minute 47.5 seconds. That was a big slice to take off a good record, the time being equivalent to an 800 Metres run in 1:46.8, but more was to come.

At the American AAU Championships at Boulder, Colorado, on June 25, there was a blanket finish in the 800 Yards final and the result was:

1. Arnold Sowell, University of Pittsburgh, 1m.47.0s; 2. Tom Courtney, New York Athletic Club, 1m.47.0s; 3. Billy Swire, Reynolds (Kansas) State Teachers College, 1m.47.1s; 4. Lang Stanley, United States Army, 1m.47.5s; 5. Len Spurrer, United States Air Force, 1m.47.7s.

Started Sizzling: The challenge to Harbig's record was, indeed, getting hot. Since then, however, it has started sizzling. At Nuremberg, Germany, on June 20, 25-year-old Belgian policeman Roger Moens, came within four-tenths of a second of the unbeatable record with 1m.47.0s.

That was to be the second best ever for the distance until last Sunday (July 17) when, at Helsinki, Tom Courtney of the United States clocked 1m.46.8s, and the unassailable Harbig record really began to look wobbly.

Bolt Courtney and Sowell will see a fair amount of competition in Europe this summer and autumn and they are bound to meet Moens, Szentgall, Boyen, Johnson, Debuyck and Nielsen, Norway's

Audun Boyen already has a best for the season of 1m.48.0s. In beating Derek Johnson (1:49.3) at Stockholm.

No European track promoter—and track and field athletics is today Europe's greatest summer sport—will miss a chance to pit a few of the fastest men together. So Harbig's "unbeatable" record will indeed be a really great record.

Best 800 Metres and 800 Yards times the world over so far this year are appended:

800 METRES RUN

1.46.6 Tom Courtney (USA)
1.47.0 Roger Moens (Belgium)
1.47.0 Audun Boyen (Norway)
1.47.0 Wes Santee (USA)
1.47.1 Arnold Sowell (USA)
1.47.1 Billy Swire (USA)
1.47.1 Lajos Szentgall (Hungary)
1.47.2 Derek Johnson (GB)
1.47.2 Brian Grewson (GB)
1.47.4 Olaf Lawrence (Germany)
1.47.4 Ilma Friedrich (Germany)
1.47.4 Klaus Richter (Finland)
1.47.5 Stefan Lewandowski (Poland)
1.47.5 Chuck Kirkley (USA)
1.47.5 Jarmo Kinnari (Finland)
1.47.5 Jelfried Rottmeier (GDR)
1.47.5 Gunnar Nielsen (Denmark)
1.47.7 Len Spurrer (USA)
1.47.7 Arnold Sowell (USA)
1.47.8 Tom Courtney (USA)
1.47.8 Bill Tudwell (USA)
1.47.8 Wes Santee (USA)
1.47.8 Lang Stanley (USA)
1.47.8 Derek Johnson (GB)
1.47.9 Chuck Kirkley (USA)
1.47.9 Billy Swire (USA)
1.47.9 Pete Gray (USA)
1.47.9 Ted Wheeler (USA)
1.47.9 Wally Denny (Ireland)
1.47.9 Dave Capen (USA)
1.47.9 Dick Forster (USA)
1.47.9 Jim Salley (Australia)
1.47.9 Tom Anderson (USA)
1.47.9 Henry Fryer (USA)
1.47.9 Tom Roper (USA)
1.47.9 Don Bowden (USA)
1.47.9 Ron Henderson (GB)

880 YARDS RUN

1.47.5 Len Spurrer (USA)
1.47.7 Arnold Sowell (USA)
1.47.8 Tom Courtney (USA)
1.47.8 Bill Tudwell (USA)
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THIS MAY SURVIVE

The fantastic performance of Americans Lou Jones and Jim Lea in beating Jamaican George Rhoden's 400 Metres record of 45.8 seconds with clockings of 45.4 and 45.0 at the Pan-American Games at Mexico City in March this year has not been followed by any wholesale attack on the 440 Yards record of 46.0 seconds held by Herb McKenley of Jamaica.

Quarter Mile times in America this year have been exceptionally fast. It is true, Jesse Mashburn, third in the Mexico City race, won the Compton Invitational 440 in 46.5 seconds and the National Collegiate AA title in 46.8 seconds.

Russ Ellis of the University of California at Los Angeles clocked 46.6 behind Mashburn in the Compton race and Charley Jenkins of Villanova University upset everybody by taking the National title in 46.7 seconds. An Australian, Kevin George, of the University of Michigan, and Mike Larrabee of the University of Southern California have clocked 46.9 seconds.

Jones and Lea were apparently so thoroughly winded by the great Mexican City race that they have not been able to run very fast. Lea finally managed a 46.9 clocking behind Jenkins at Boulder, Colorado, while

Jones was content with a season's best quarter of 47.2. It is generally believed that Jones, Lea, Jenkins and Mashburn will all earn an Olympic trip next year. Says Corder Nelson, the editor of Track and Field News, "The one with the poorest pace judgment will run only the relay."

CHUVASH CHALLENGE

In the Olympic 400 Metres run, long an American-Jamaican monopoly, at Melbourne next year the Soviet Union will present a very definite threat in their ever-improving Champion, Arslan Ignatyev, a Chuvash tribesman whose Mongolian features were much commented upon by sports writers who saw him win the European Championship at Berne last year.

The Chuvash are, in fact, distantly Asian, being related ethnologically to the Finns and the Turks. Ignatyev's victory at Berne sent a contributor to the official Soviet sports newspaper, Sovetskoye Sport, to fantastic ecstasies of praise last year.

Describing the rigorous training routine followed by school-teacher Ignatyev who had brought such fame to the Chuvash tribe, the Soviet sports writer described how the young Arslan began his day with a 4,000-metre run to the little schoolhouse, which he negotiated in 10 minutes every morning of the week bar Sunday and holidays.

As the current world record for 500 Metres is now 15 minutes 51.2 seconds, Ignatyev must be the fastest man on earth for all distances in between 400 and 5,000 Metres if his Boswell is to be credited.

But, however much his Boswell may have exaggerated, the fact remains that Ignatyev is going places. At Moscow on June 26 he equalled Harbig's European 400 Metres record of 46.0 seconds and the Chuvash tribesman also has more basic speed, if one is to judge by his 21.1 seconds for 200 Metres round a full turn, than Jones, Lea or Jenkins and is on a par over the furlong with Jesse Mashburn.

Best 400 Metres and 440 Yards times so far this year are appended:

400 METRES RUN

45.4 Lou Jones (USA)
45.4 Jim Lea (USA)
45.4 George Rhoden (Jamaica)
45.4 Jesse Mashburn (USA)
45.4 Roger Moens (Belgium)
45.4 Herb McKenley (Jamaica)

440 YARDS RUN

46.0 Jesse Mashburn (USA)
46.0 Russ Ellis (USA)
46.0 Charley Jenkins (USA)
46.0 Kevin George (USA)
46.0 Mike Larrabee (USA)
46.0 Jim Lea (USA)
46.0 Dick Malocco (USA)
46.0 Eddie Southern (USA)
46.0 Lou Jones (USA)
46.0 Len Spurrer (USA)
46.0 Ralph Fessenden (USA)
46.0 Mal Whitfield (USA)
46.0 Don Ward (USA)
46.0 Brian Grewson (USA)
46.0 Walt Garrett (USA)
46.0 Burke Wilson (USA)
46.0 Willie Jones (USA)
46.0 Jesse Garcia (USA)
46.0 Grant Scruggs (USA)

U.S. Can Kiss Goodbye To Davis Cup If Trabert Turns Pro

Says WILL GRIMSLEY

Philadelphia, July 21.

Professional tennis or a business career for Tony Trabert — which? The pendulum was swinging strongly toward the business career.

"This pro tennis deal has been talked about a lot but it's a pretty remote thing as matters stand now," the 24-year-old Cincinnati racket bombardier said.

"In the first place, I haven't had any offer. In the second, I've got a good job and I'm concentrating on making good at it. I might find it so attractive I wouldn't take a pro offer if it came along."

The decision is an important one, not for just Trabert alone but for American amateur tennis as well.

If Trabert turns pro, the United States can kiss the Davis Cup goodbye, at least for another five years. The U.S. has no player to step into the breach who might hold back the Australians.

If he sticks to his business career, he'll remain an amateur

and play tennis for fun. Rated the top amateur in the world, Wimbledon Champion and winner of 15 of 17 tournaments since the Davis Cup challenge round, he would be a one-man bulwark for Uncle Sam.

It's not unusual, then, that there should be pressures from the amateur tennis leaders to keep young Tony from turning professional. Promoter Jack Kramer reportedly is ready with \$75,000 if Trabert has a big year.—Associated Press.

18 JAPANESE ATHLETES FOR WARSAW

Tokyo, July 21.

A group of 18 Japanese athletes will leave Tokyo via Canadian Pacific Airlines for Warsaw to participate in the Communist-sponsored World Youth Sports Festival, starting August 1.

Headed by Mikio Oda, 1928 Olympic Hop-Step and Jump Champion and present Sports Editor of Asahi Shimbun's Osaka office, the delegation will travel through Red China and the Soviet Union.

Track and field, wrestling, table tennis and gymnastics champions are included.—Associated Press.

NIELSEN CLOCKS 4:03.4 FOR NEW DANISH RECORD

Copenhagen, July 21. Gunnar Nielsen (Denmark) won the Mile in 4 minutes 3.4 seconds in an international athletics meeting here tonight.

Chromic (Poland) was second in four minutes 5.4 seconds and Henry Gustafsson (Sweden) third in 4 min. 5.8 seconds.

Nielsen's Mile was a Danish record.—China Mail Special.

'Tee-Wheeler' Takes The Walk Out Of Golf

By EVELY NIRON

The introduction of electric golf cars on American fairways has sparked off a big controversy among the four and a half million golfers in the United States.

About 7000 of these runabouts are in use, with the idea of taking the effort out of the game by transporting players and their clubs from tee to tee.

Those against say the machines are turning golfers from sportsmen into invalids in the LRC.

League Tennis

Ladies Recreation Club defeated the Police Recreation Club in a Men's "C" Division Group "A" match played at the LRC.

LRC (6) PRO(S) Higgins and Talnor (LRC) beat Major and Turner 6-3; lost to Gilles and Brown 4-0; drew with March and Bathgate 6-6.

Crofton and Lett (LRC) beat Major and Turner 6-4; lost to Gilles and Brown 3-0; beat March and Bathgate 6-1.

Baker and Bayliss (LRC) beat Major and Turner 6-4; drew with Gilles and Brown 6-6; beat March and Bathgate 6-2.

GOLF-BUGGIES

Several dozen firms, many of them already manufacturing agricultural equipment, adding machines or motor-scooters, have come into the business in the last two or three years.

The golf-bugger, costing anywhere from £250 to £450 upwards, seat from one to as many as five players, with a rack for golf-bags. Their maximum speed is 10 to 15 m.p.h.

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By Order of the Board
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MICHAEL W. TURNER,
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Hong Kong, 8th July, 1955.

NOTICE

CALEDAONIANS!

The Friday evening sail to
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ISRAEL EXPECTS ANOTHER COALITION PARLIAMENT

Tel-Aviv, July 21.

Israel's next parliament, to be elected on July 26, when about 1,000,000 voters go to the polls, will once again be a multi-party legislature.

It is virtually certain to be a coalition led by the moderate labour party Mapai, although there is no accurate forecast yet as to whether the members of the coalition will be to the left of Mapai, to its right or in both camps.

The largest single party, Mapai, is far stronger than any other party of the left or right, although short of an absolute majority and it would require the inconceivable partnership of the extreme left and right splinter groups to form an alternative government.

The reason why small groups can form an Israeli government is that the electoral system is based upon proportional representation.

Eligible Voters

Eligible voters—all citizens over 18 years including new immigrants with more than seven months residence—may vote for any of the nineteen lists of candidates contesting these elections.

The total number of votes divided by 120, the number of seats in the Knesset, gives the number of votes which determines the number of seats won by the various party lists. Inter-party agreements decide left-over fractions.

It is instead of this system that Mr. David Ben Gurion, Israel's first Prime Minister, who is now leading Mapai's electoral campaign, is seeking to introduce direct representation on the British pattern to lead to a two-party parliament.

The bulk of the votes are already committed either because of deep-rooted party loyalties or because of pledges of support given by groups or communities.

Only a relatively small floating vote is left to decide a few seats, yet a bitter elections campaign is being waged between the main nine parties. The other ten are merely "false running" with the maximum target of gaining one seat.

It is estimated that total electioneering costs of the larger parties are running to some £2,000,000 (about £4,000,000 sterling).

Competing for the favour of the undecided voter are newspaper advertisements, radio broadcasts, soap-box oratory, leaflets, posters, sound trucks, mass rallies in public squares and rented halls and even loudspeakers from cruising launches to address bathing couples on the beaches at weekends.

Neon signs, films, house-to-house canvassing and elections "caravans" are among the new methods imported by election managers.

The loudest and most impressive struggle is between Mapai and the right-of-centre General Zionists Party which polled 19.1 per cent of the votes in the last elections to Mapai's 37.3 per cent.

Although the elections are on the whole being fought without a common battleground or single controversial issue, the bone of contention between the "big two" is mainly the economic issue—a mild form of socialism with controls and planning as against a liberal economy and free enterprise.

Were Partners

Since the two rival parties were partners in the coalition government which resigned a month before the elections, each claims the credit for the improved economic conditions evident in the past year or two.

"Don't allow the queues and rationing to return—vote for the General Zionists," is perhaps the most characteristic slogan of this party.

Mapai's retort asserts that the improvement results from its own long-term plans. It claims that payment of reparations by West Germany is helping to put the country's economy on its feet. "The General Zionists opposed any negotiations with West Germany," they remind the voters.

Whereas Mapai and the General Zionists see eye to eye on matters of foreign policy and defence, Mapai finds its most dangerous critics on these issues in a budding young party to its left, Ahduth Haavoda (The Unity of Labour).

Led by energetic and popular war heroes, this party, a splinter group of the pro-Soviet United Labour Party Mapam, might swing some potential Mapai voters because of its bold and activist stand on issues of Israel-Arab relations.

Ahduth Haavoda, backed by the powerful organization of communal settlements, Hakhutzu Hameouhad, charges Mapai with surrender to the capitalists because of its partnership with the General Zionists. It is urging a coalition of the labour parties.

In the elections to the governing bodies of the trade-unions movement, Histadruth, this party emerged as second largest with 14.81 per cent of the votes to Mapai's 57.74 per cent. The United Labour Party Mapam, no longer united, polled only 12.54 per cent and appeared to be on the decline.

Two religious groups, each amalgamating two parties, vie for votes on the single issue of religion's greater role in the life of the country and the enforcement of Jewish religious laws by the state.

In the last elections the four religious parties, running separately, polled together 11.85 per cent of the total votes. They played an important role in the Israeli parliament since they often held the balance of power and on several occasions compelled Mapai to make far-reaching concessions on religious issues.

Far over on the right stands Heruth (Freedom movement), political heir of the anti-British terrorist Irgun Tzvai Leumi, trying to stage a comeback after a considerable decline since the first elections of 1949.

Heruth leaders are convinced that foreign policy and defence interest the electorate today more than queues or economic policies. They wave before the masses the map of Palestine with its historical boundaries in the days of King David, including Jordan and the Gaza strip (the former now an Arab Kingdom ruled by King Hussein, the latter ruled by Egypt since the Palestine War of 1948).

Having polled only 6.75 per cent of the votes in 1951 compared with 11.5 per cent in 1949, Heruth leaders are determined to check the decline and are all out to win votes from their main rivals in the right-wing camp, the General Zionists.

A small liberal group, the progressive party that claims to be the middle-of-the-road growing force, which polled only 3.2 per cent of the votes in the last elections, seems to be on the ascent after relative gains in the trade-unions election in May.

New Electorate

One of the most outstanding features of the coming elections is the "new electorate" of over 300,000 voters added since the last elections of 1951.

The bulk of these voters are newcomers, mostly from backward countries, who never exercised the franchise before. Many of them live in temporary work villages or newly established settlements.

Mapai officials expect to gain the major share of the new mass vote since most key positions in the new immigrants' towns and villages are held by members of this party.

Some of these new voters, however, will go to strengthen the religious parties.

Votes of the Arab minority, about one tenth of the electorate, are to be divided between four Arab local lists and the Communist Party that has quite an Arab following.

Altogether it is expected that eight Arab deputies will be returned in the elections, two belonging to parties affiliated to Mapai, two Communists and one affiliated to the General Zionists. —China Mail Special.

Blood Plasma Rushed To Beirut

Geneva, July 21.

The League of Red Cross Societies rushed anti-hemorrhagic blood plasma to Beirut, Lebanon, by air on Thursday after an "extremely urgent" request from the Lebanese Red Cross.

The Lebanese Red Cross did not explain why the plasma was needed so urgently. It is used in treating persons suffering from the rare disease, hemophilia, which causes profuse bleeding even from small wounds. The Lebanese Society asked for two litres (2,000 cc) of the plasma, but the Red Cross headquarters could send only 150 cc in all Europe, and that in Switzerland.

An additional 1,500 cc was ordered from a manufacturer of the plasma in Los Angeles (Highland Laboratories). The Red Cross said two litres of the plasma would treat several persons. —Associated Press.



POLICE CATCH GREMLIN

New York, July 21.

Police early Thursday cracked down on a teen-age gang they said had been extorting money from other youngsters with threats of beatings or even death.

Police nabbed Salvatore Geraci, 17, leader of "The Gremlins" gang, and several pals as Geraci accepted \$5 from a terrorized youth as part payment on a \$20-a-month tribute.

Geraci came to this country four years ago from Tunisia, police said, and his 30-member gang had been preying on neighbourhood boys for several weeks. The gang had threatened several boys with death if they told police or their families of the extortion racket. —Associated Press.

Two miles of Brooklyn's waterfront is to be rebuilt by the Port of New York Authority at a total cost of \$85,000,000, a project which has been made possible by the Bi-State Agency's \$13,750,000 purchase of properties of the New York Dock Company extending southward from a point near Brooklyn Bridge.

The property includes 23 shoddy piers, 8 open piers; two wharves fronting on the 40 ft. deep Baitermilk and East River Channels, as well as 50 acres of upland area and warehouse space. The piers ranging in age from 36 to 85 years handle a fourth of the port's general cargo and comprise a third of the deep-water general cargo piers. This view shows Brooklyn Bridge, foreground; Brooklyn Port Authority properties (left); Manhattan (right); Governor's Island centre. —Express Photo.

Neustadt, July 21. The Barbers Rally here listened yesterday to a Hairdressers Association official advising customers not to tip barbers. "Tipping is demanding," he complained, "and they will often lead hairdressers to prefer a customer known to be liberal." —China Mail Special.

Austrian Treaty Approved

Paris, July 21.

The French upper house, the Council of the Republic, tonight ratified by an unanimous vote the state treaty returning full sovereignty to Austria. Voting was 315 to nil.

The treaty was approved by the National Assembly also by a unanimous vote last week. It now goes to President Rene Coty for signature. —Reuter.

Oslo, July 21.

Norway has acquired her own "Loch Ness Monster," according to reports in a local newspaper, Elidsvold Blad.

Several motorists had recently seen a serpent in Norway's largest lake, Mjosaen, the newspaper said. The motorists said the serpent was about 40 feet long and about as thick as a telegraph pole. —China Mail Special.

Philadelphia To Restore Assembly Room

Philadelphia, July 21.

A two-year search of records promises soon to restore the Assembly room of Philadelphia's Independence Hall to what it was like when John Hancock and his co-patriots met in it at the birth of the United States as a nation.

The General Federation of Women's Clubs is financing the refurbishing of the Hall's first floor. Prospects of finding the original furniture are not very hopeful as most pieces were destroyed or disappeared during British occupation of the city in the Revolutionary war.

As research progresses, replicas made with old hand-working methods as well as genuine antiques will be placed in the Hall.

The records show that the six large windows probably had velvet blinds. There were about 40 Windsor chairs with spindle backs and turned raking legs. Candles lighted evening sessions. Some experts think a handbell may have substituted for a gavel.

Coat Of Arms

The Penn family coat of arms was probably among the few documents in the room sharing space with colours of the 7th British Fusiliers captured at Chamblay, Canada, in 1775.

A silver inkstand made in 1752 by Philip Syng, a noted Philadelphia silversmith, is believed to be authentic and to have been used by those who signed the Declaration of Independence.

Only scant attention was paid the building as a national treasure until Lafayette's visit to Philadelphia in 1824. People then referred to the Assembly Room as the Hall of Independence. The simply furnished chamber where the Declaration was signed and the Constitutional Convention met underwent elaborate redecoration.

Walls and ceiling were painted stone colour, and windows were

hung with scarlet and blue drapery studded with stars. Wall space was filled with portraits of presidents and "revolutionary heroes. Mahogany furniture was tastefully arranged. The building's steeple, removed in 1781, was erected again.

Enthusiasm then swung toward restoring the Assembly Room as it had been originally. Panelling believed to be authentic was found in the attic and was replaced.

Following the meagre "restoration," the room was sometimes rented for art exhibitions or used for receptions for distinguished visitors. As time passed it became a repository for curios and relics, including a wooden statue of George Washington.

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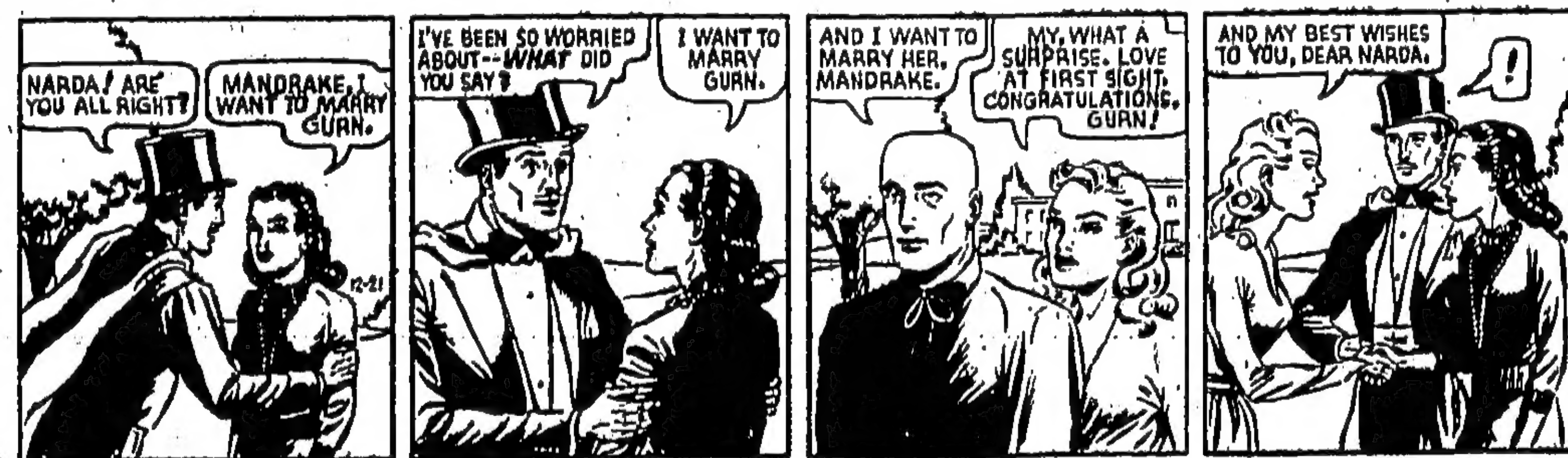
As veneration spread, the name "Independence Hall" came into official usage in 1932, embracing the entire building. Its historic importance was fully recognised.

The solemnity of the room's early momentous hours returned during the Civil War when the bodies of slain Philadelphia soldiers lay in state, followed in 1885 by the body of Lincoln.

Present plans for the first floor fit in with a long-range restoration of the adjoining area of the city. —China Mail Special.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



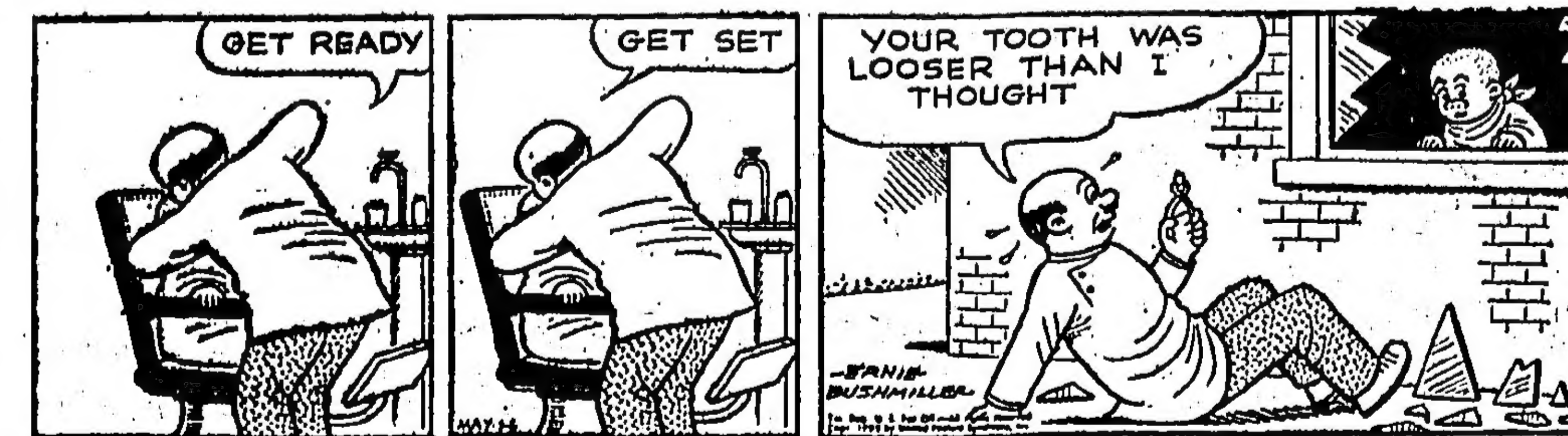
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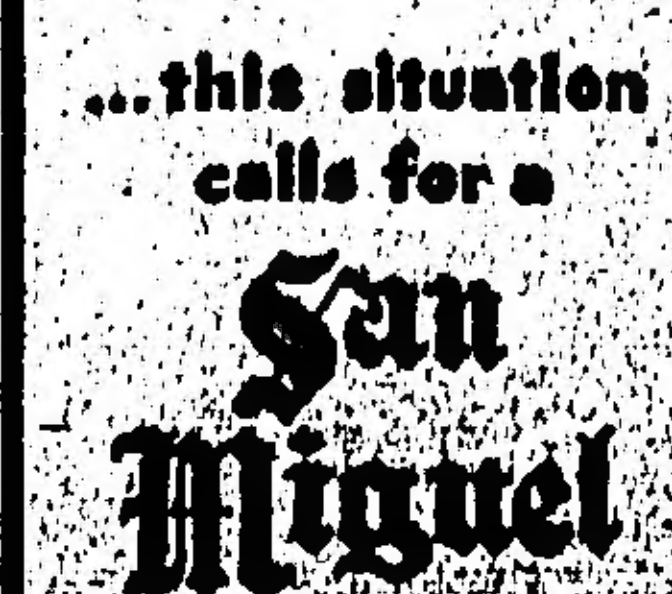
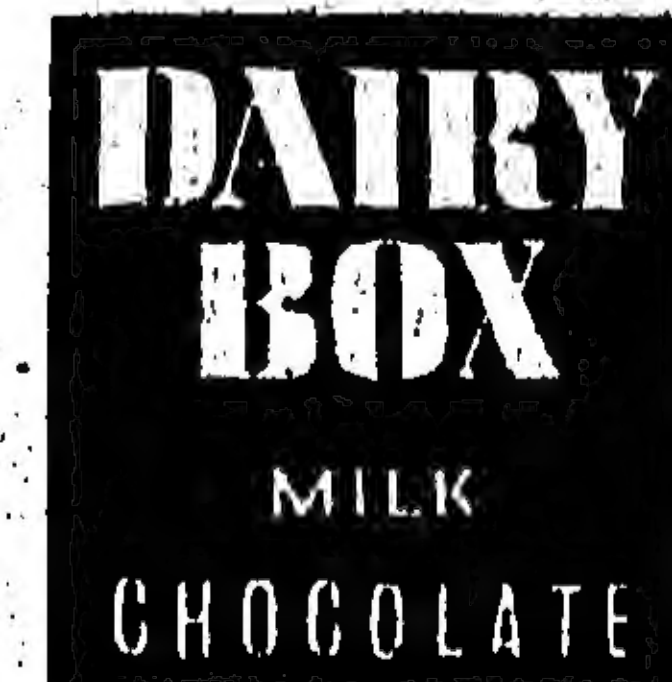
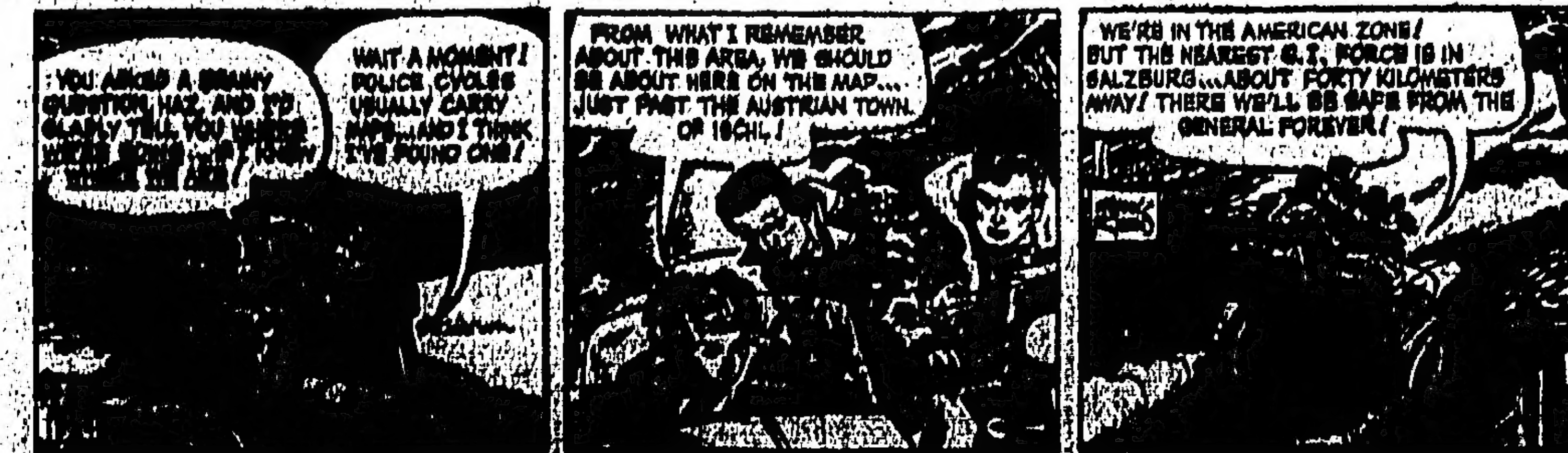
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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

A Girl called Pat

PATRICIA lives in the East End, and in the little streets where her home is, people point to her with pleasure and pride, whenever anyone pulls a long face and talks of the sad decline of modern youth.

For Patricia is young and pretty and gay—and good. She sparkles with life, has cover-girl looks, and yet is modest, unselfish and possessed of a rare kind of humility.

She went to school until she was 16 and from there, a year ago, straight into a West End store, as a junior sales-girl. It was there the other day, that a flaw in Patricia's character came to light.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

SOMETHING about a jumper she was wearing attracted attention. It looked like one from a new line the store was selling—and yet there was something different about it.

Then those who had noticed Patricia's new jumper realised that the difference was. A new set of buttons had been sewn on to it. Now why should a girl do that? they wondered. "They decided to ask."

"Did you buy that jumper at the staff-sales counter, Patricia?" they asked.

Lying was not among the girl's accomplishments. "I... stole it," she said. "I've stolen other things, too. They're at home. I... Shame overwhelmed her, and she could not say any more."

PENITENT

At the Clerkenwell court she pleaded guilty, in a whisper, to stealing two jumpers, two blouses, a cardigan and two plastic raincoats from the store.

"She can't give any explanation for this," a detective told Mr Seymour Collins, the magistrate. "She comes from a very good home, and she is extremely penitent."

The magistrate studied a paper on which was written all that had been discovered about Patricia. He turned to her and said:

"You seem to have been a thoroughly good girl up to now. You come from a good home, you belong to local organisations, you go to church, everyone speaks most highly of you. Would you like to tell me why you have lapsed like this — it seems so contrary to your character?"

Patricia shook her head. "I don't know," she whispered. "Her parents are here, sir, and would speak for her," the detective said, "but she does not want them to."

That was in character. They would want to stand by her, and she to spare them.

"A clergyman is here, too, to speak for her," the detective said.

Patricia offered no objection, the clergyman stepped forward. He was assistant-curate of the church Patricia attended, and ran the youth club.

HELP

"I WOULD put this girl among the very best in the parish," he said. "None of us can understand this, but I'm prepared to do everything I can to help her, and all the young people want to help her, too."

The magistrate nodded. He put Patricia on probation, and instructed that she should repay the store, by instalments, at staff-rates, for the clothes she had stolen.

"Then she can keep the clothes," the magistrate explained to Patricia's father, after she had left the courtroom. She could keep the clothes, but I wondered if she would ever want to wear again things that had cost her so dear—cost her her faith in herself."

Eisenhower Stuns Geneva

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Sir Anthony Eden then rose to develop and approve an earlier French proposal for the creation of a special fund, from money saved from disarmament, destined for aid to underdeveloped countries.

Eden also proposed the creation of a border zone between East and West Germany where control of armaments could be exercised by a joint commission.

On Marshal Bulganin's suggestion, the proposal was reserved for study by the four foreign ministers.

M. Faure then proposed a four-point work-plan for the Big Four foreign ministers.

1. President Eisenhower's proposal for the exchange of military information and air photos.

2. Sir Anthony Eden's proposal on the creation of a 'centralised zone of Germany.'

3. Bulganin's proposal on the pledge not to use atomic weapons.

4. Faure's proposal on general publicity and possible reduction of armaments.

The foreign ministers tomorrow morning will give priority to the re-study of their report regarding directives on German reunification which was sent back to them by the four government chiefs earlier today.

The Big Four tomorrow will discuss East-West relations. A final communiqué will be prepared by Saturday morning, ending the conference.—France-Press.

Indonesian Cabinet Tottering

Djakarta, July 22. Indonesia's Communist-supported Cabinet which has been tottering for more than a week appeared to be nearing its end today.

Nearly four weeks after the Army precipitated a crisis by boycotting the "political appointment" of the new Chief of Staff, Major-General Bambang Utjo, the government appeared certain to collapse through defections by its allies.

On July 21 the People's National Party announced that it would urge the government to hand in its resignation, thus including the withdrawal of support of the second biggest ally of Prime Minister Ali Sastroamidjojo's Indonesian Nationalist Party-led coalition.

MANY DEFECTIONS

With nearly 40 defections indicated Sastroamidjojo's biggest ally, the Indonesian Communist Party, was the only major supporter which remained firmly on the government benches.

Though the government's majority appeared clearly diminished Western observers still held reservations because what already constituted an automatic dissolution in a Western country allowed room here for prolonged government life.

Failure to get a parliamentary quorum, likely because of other political factors, could give the government a respite should it insist on a parliamentary test of strength.

The Cabinet was due to meet today shortly before a scheduled parliamentary session.—Reuters.

Mail Notices

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The latest posting times for registered articles are generally one hour earlier than the times shown below. Particulars regarding parcel mail can be ascertained by enquiry at any post office.

FRIDAY, JULY 22
By Air
Formosa, 8 p.m.
Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Korea, 6 p.m.
Philippines, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.
By Surface
Macao, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 23
By Air
Thailand, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Philippines, 2 p.m.
India-China, France, 2 p.m.
Philippines, N. Borneo, 6 p.m.
Japan, Hawaii, USA, Canada, 6 p.m.
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.
Formosa, Okinawa, Korea, 6 p.m.
By Surface
N. Borneo, 6 p.m.
China, People's Republic, 6.30 a.m.
Malaya, Ceylon, Middle East, 11 a.m.

SUNDAY, JULY 24
Formosa, Japan, 6 p.m.

Princess Sues For Divorce

Los Angeles, July 21. Princess Fatima of Iran, who married an American commoner in 1950 against the wishes of her brother, the Shah of Iran, today petitioned for divorce.

The beautiful Princess, 26, alleged that her husband, Mr Vincent Hillmyer, 30, an importer, had treated her in a cruel and inhuman manner causing her great mental suffering and anguish.

She asked custody of their son Kayvan, 3, but made no specific request for alimony or support for the child.—China Mail Special.

H.E. the Governor has appointed the following to be members of the committee for the administration of the Kadoorie Agricultural Aid Loan Fund. It was announced in the Government Gazette today: Messrs N. F. Wright, J. C. Rix, and Woo Tin-ming.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"The old man insisted that I start at the bottom—I hope this broom realises it's getting all the benefits of a college education!"

THE SAIGON FLARE-UP

Russian Action Announced

Moscow, July 21. Russia announced tonight that she will ask Britain to join her in a demand to the South Vietnam government and France to ensure that the International Supervisory Commission in Vietnam is able to carry out its duties.

A statement by the official Soviet news agency Tass said that an attack in Saigon on Wednesday, when the headquarters of the International Commission were stormed, was provocative and "decisively condemned in leading circles of the Soviet Union."

Tass said the Soviet government, which with Britain shared the chairmanship when the Indo-China war was settled at last year's Geneva conference, was sending a note to Britain proposing that the attention of the participants of last year's conference should be drawn to the latest incidents.

(Yesterday, on the anniversary of the signing of the truce agreement, rioters stormed through two hotels in Saigon used by members of the Truce Commission. Indian, Canadian and Polish troops officers found their possessions either stolen or destroyed.)—Reuters.

FAURE'S WARNING

Geneva, July 21. French Premier Edgar Faure warned President Eisenhower today the West might face a full-scale crisis in Indo-China unless steps were taken to arrange nationwide elections in divided Vietnam.

Faure spoke with full British backing in a 30-minute talk with Mr Eisenhower. The meeting followed a conference between M. Faure and British Prime Minister, Sir Anthony Eden.

M. Faure told the President France was determined to abide by the decision of the Geneva truce agreement that the Communist and Free South Vietnam should arrange for elections next year to reunify the country.

French sources said the meeting was informal and that no decision was made.

The Western delegates to the summit conference greeted with relief tonight South Vietnam Premier Ngo Dinh Diem's condemnation of Wednesday's rioting which prompted the truce commission to protest to Britain and Soviet Russia.

PERSONAL MESSAGE

British delegation sources confirmed that Sir Anthony had received a personal message from Indian Minister Jawaharlal Nehru asking that he and Soviet Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov investigate the riots in the South Vietnamese capital of Saigon yesterday.

Sir Anthony was reported giving Mr Nehru's message "careful consideration." The British Foreign Office in London has condemned the riots as a "senseless outrage."

Britain and the other Western nations do not want the Indo-China problem intensified here at the Big Four talks because it is feared the Soviets will drag in all other Far Eastern problems and the talks will bog down.—United Press.

1.61 Inches Of Rain In 2 Hours

WATERLOO ROAD FLOOD

This morning's sharp thunderstorm yielded 1.61 inches of rain between 9 and 11 a.m., according to official Royal Observatory figures.

Since midnight last night and up to 11 o'clock this morning, the Observatory rain gauges registered 1.82 inches. The total rainfall for the year up to 11 a.m. today totalled 60 inches, which is about 12 inches above the average.

Although Police Stations reported "a very quiet morning," the torrential rain brought floods, minor landslides and held up road and construction work.

A China Mail reporter saw a section of Waterloo Road completely flooded when the large nullah near the railway bridge—blocked by assorted debris—overflowed. The nullah is seven feet deep from road level and is surrounded by a three-foot wall, making the total depth of the water 10 feet.

Road-work by the PWD in Kowloon and on the Island was halted temporarily, as workmen huddled in shelters and ruefully watched the water-level rising slowly in their ditches.

Miniature waterfalls poured thousands of gallons of water on roads running around the Peak. Cars cautiously negotiated large puddles formed by blocked outlets, spraying pedestrians as they walked on the pavements.

Bunches of little boys gathered around drain-pipe outlets, and shouting with delight, splashed each other from the gushing spouts of water.

On Visit To China

A group of 15 Japanese newspapermen arrived here from Tokyo on Japan Airlines en route to Communist China at the invitation of the Communist Newspaper Association.

Mr Monobe Yokota, Vice-President of the Sangyo-Kedai, leader of the delegation, said that the visit was a private one and not official. This is the first Japanese newspaper delegation to visit Communist China. The purpose of the trip is to gain impressions of life in the new China.

The party will remain there for a month, visiting all the big cities. The party expects to depart for China tomorrow by train.

Radio Hongkong

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